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TWO WHOLE SHEETS { SIXPENCE. By Post, 6½D.



SINKING OF H.M.S. VANGUARD,-FROM A SKETCH BY ONE OF THE OFFICERS,

#### BIRTHS.

On the 3rd inst., at Hill Foot, Ulverston, the wife of Myles Kennedy, of daughter.

On the 7th ult., at Fortress Gwalior, Central India, the wife of Marmaduke Stourton, Esq., Captain 63rd (West Suffolk) Regiment, of a son.

On the 9th inst., at 32, Clanricarde-gardens, Bayswater, the wife of George G. Ceffala, Esq., of a son.

On the 1st inst., at the Viceregal Lodge, Dublin, the Marchioness of Blandford, of a daughter.

On the 31st ult., Lady Evelyn Courtenay, of a son.
On the 3rd finst., at Blackmoor, Petersfield, Countess Waldegrave, of

On the 5th inst., at Kingston House, the Countess of Listowel, of a son

#### MARRIAGES.

On the 4th inst., in Killyleagh parish church, Mr. Russell Maule Stephenson, son of the late Mr. Henry Stephenson, Ranger of Hyde Park, and Lady Mary Whitbread, and nephew of the present Earl of Albemarle, to Miss Helen Gwendoline Rowan Hamilton, of Killyleagh Castle, County Down, sister to the Countess of Dufferin.

On the 2nd inst., at the Church of St. John the Baptist, Kentish Town, by the Rev. William Calvert, M.A., Vicar, Griffiths Smith, of Furnival's Inn, London, to Mary Jane, daughter of Henry Groombridge, of Falklandroad, Kentish Town. No cards. Australian papers please copy.

#### DEATHS.

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On the 8th inst., at 148, Cambridge-street, S.W., Miss Isabella Andrew, aged 73.

On the 28th ult., at Bray, Head House, County Wicklow, Ireland, Robert Wybrants, Esq., of 47, Rutland-squere, Dublin, in his 88th year.

On the 4th inst., at 33, Lonsdale-square, Islington, James Neale, late of the 8tock Exchange, in his 86th year.

On the 5th inst., at 22, Holland Villas-road, Kensington, after sevenmenths' intense suffering, Elizabeth Anne, eldest daughter of Wm. Wyllys Mackeson, Esq., Q.C., aged 33 years.

On the 2nd inst., at 107, Belgrave-road, after a short illness, Agnes Giaham, Countess of Buchan, aged 48.

On the 1st inst., at Wilminghton, Ryde, Isle of Wight, Elizabeth Theresa Agnes, fourth and youngest daughter of Lord and Lady Rollo.
On Sunday, the 29th ult., at 28, St. James's-place, London, Frances Isabella, Dowager Lady Clinton, widow of the late Sir Horace Seymour, in her £0th year. On the 29th ult., at Leamington, Sophia, Dowager Lady Berwick, aged

\*.\* The charge for the insertion of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is Five Shillings for each announcement.

#### CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK ENDING SEPT. 18.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 12.
Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity.
St. Faul's Cathedral, 10.30 a.m., the Rev. Canon Lightfoot; 7 p.m., the Right Rev. Dr. E. Parry, Bishop of Dover.
Westminster Abbey, 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., the Rev. Canon Robinson Duckworth.
St. James's, noon, the Rev. Francis Gaiden, Sub-Dean of the Chapels Royal.

Doncaster Races: September Meetings.
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 15.
Full moon, 12.42 p.m.
Ember Week.
Doncaster Races—St. Leger.
Staffordshire Agricultural Society, Exhibition at Uttoxeter.
THURSDAY, SEPT. 16.
Famourh Agricultural Show, near Waynington.

Royal. Whitehall (closed). Savoy (closed).

MONDAY, SEPT. 13. Salmon-fishing in Scotland ends.
Society of Engineers, Examination
of the Southwark and Vauxhall
and the Grand Junction Waterworks, both at Hampton.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 14.

Holy Cross. Buck-hunting begins.

Doncaster Races: September Meet-

Farnworth Agricultural Show, near Warrington.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 17.
Crewe Dog Show (two days).
Brecon Agricultural Society Show.
Cheshire Agricultural Society Show
at Crewe (two days).

SATURDAY, SEPT. 18. Horticultural Society, promenade,

3.30 p.m. ew Brighton Sailing Club, closing New

#### THE WEATHER.

RESULTS OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS AT THE KEW OBSERVATORY OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY.

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The following are the readings of the meteorological instruments for the above days, in order, at ten a.m.:—

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Temperature of Air ... | 38°3° | 65°8° | 62°8° | 61°8° | 62°1° | 63°0° | 68°0° |

Temperature of Evaporation ... | 54°2° | 60°88 | 60°7° | 64°4 | 57°1° | 50°7° | 62°2° |

Direction of Wind ... ... WNW. 8w. | 8w. | w. | w. | www. | xw. | 8.

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. 

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CRYSTAL PALACE.—CALENDAR for WEEK ending

MONDAY, SEPT. 13.—Great Fountains. Midget Hanlons.
TUESDAY, SEPT. 14.—Moore and Burgess Minstrels. Midget Hanlons,
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 15.—Orchestral Concert. Midget Hanlons.
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Deer-Stalking in the Highlands.
Portrait of the late Sir Edwin Landseer.
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Mr. Broadwood's Yacht, Minerva.
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#### THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS.

LONDON: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1875.

A glance-of necessity a very cursory glance-at Continental politics. There is nothing at home to claim present attention. All is profoundly quiet here. Regattas and excursion trips, collisions at sea, collisions on the rail, losses of life by bathers, and adventurous leaps into the river from metropolitan bridges, extraordinary feats of natation by girls, flower and fruit shows at the Ciystal and the Alexandra Palaces, sporting intelligence and harvest prospects, with a thousand little et ceteras which we cannot stay to enumerate, combined with magnificent autumn sunshine, constitute nearly all that is conspicuous in English life just now-all, at least, which finds record in our daily journals. Here and there, it is true, some political man of mark delivers a speech upon personal or social topics-Mr. Roebuck, for instance, on the consistency of his past public life, or

Mr. Fawcett in the interests of education. But, speaking generally, little or nothing of a political bearing has occurred since the prorogation of Parliament to excite the anxieties or to enlist the sympathies of society in these

Abroad it is different, though even abroad there are not wanting some symptoms of lassitude. It would be rash to take for granted that our own countrymen are not interested, in a languid manner at any rate, in the great problems which are being solved, more or less satisfactorily, upon the Continent. The papers are full of foreign politics, and the light which is thrown upon them by the information collected and digested by their various correspondents serves to force them upon public sympathy; for it is not to be inferred from the fact that we have only a remote interest in these questions that we are entirely apathetic in regard to their treatment and progress. We can do very little in them, it is true; and for this reason, as well as others, we are disinclined to meddle with them. But we think we may state with confidence that the British public is never wholly indifferent to that which affects the progress of humanity, whether at home or abroad; and there are good grounds for believing that in the midst of their pleasures and recreations the vast majority of educated Englishmen find some time to think of, and some sympathy to bestow upon, those who are elsewhere engaged in working out, amid dangers and self-sacrifices, great patriotic issues.

The most prominent of the questions which, for the time being, are agitating the mind of Europe is that which has grown out of the Herzegovinian insurrection. It may be premature to conclude that it is already virtually settled, but it is not unreasonable to gather from the facts now before the public that it will not lead to any immediate disturbance of the international politics of Europe. The three great Empires are at one on this question. They are all agreed to extinguish the fire which has been kindled before it extends into a general conflagration. The interests of each (to say nothing of mutual jealousies) sternly forbid any present attempt to dispose of what is called "the Eastern question." That they have brought diplomatic pressure to bear upon the Porte, without any direct intervention in the internal affairs of the Turkish Empire, is unquestionable; that they have exercised to the utmost their influence upon the semi-independent States surrounding the focus of the insurrection to prevent as far as possible their adding fuel to the flame is also well known. The result is, or is stated to be, that Turkey has succeeded in suppressing the provincial outbreak against her supreme authority. Her soldiery have traversed the Herzegovina from one border to another without meeting with any resistance. Bosnia has been awed into reluctant submission. But now comes the most critical question, What is to be done to prevent these periodical outbreaks of insur-rection under the provincial administration of the Porte? It is clear that the great European Powers cannot, will not, ought not to, permit the unmodified continuance of a system of Government which is perpetually provoking disturbance in a vital part of Europe, and thereby entailing insecurity upon neighbouring Governments. That is the main as well as the most delicate question with which the Military Monarchies, and even the Maritime Powers, of the Continent are just now concerned to solve. It may be assumed that their joint action will be of a temporising character; that they will obtain for the outlying provinces of Turkey, or, at any rate, for the Christian population resident in them, some alleviation of their miserable lot; and that they will leave to the future-not very far distant, perhaps-the permanent settlement of those interests associated with the rule of the Sultan which, prematurely handled, would involve Europe in a general war.

Spain next attracts public attention. Matters appear to be taking a more definite course in the Peninsula than they have done since the death of Marshal Prim. The civil war in the north is evidently tending to its conclusion. The national authority, under King Alfonso, is at length beginning to make itself felt. Carlism seems destined once more to succumb. Proofs have been given of the unity and vigour characterising the military command under the Government at Madrid. There is great discouragement in the camp of Don Carlos. His ablest Generals acknowledge their inability to carry his orders into effect. They are being pursued by the national troops from pillar to post. The capture of Seo de Urgel by the Alfonsists has dissipated their prestige. There is a rumour already of projected negotiations for peace. The means of the Pretender are pretty nearly exhausted. The inhabitants of the provinces which he occupies are tired of the devastations of war, and begin to clamour for its cessation. Europe will witness with satisfaction the termination of this sanguinary but fruitless dynastic struggle. But, whether it come soon, or whether it continue to linger on for some time to come, the close of it will bequeath to Spain a legacy of debt and disorder which she will find an almost insuperable weight of difficulties in disposing of.

Turn we next to the French Republic. It is in the midst of a Parliamentary recess. It has in prospect, before or after winter, a general election, upon the basis of the Constitutional laws now in force. Public feeling, however, would appear to be settling down in all parts of the country to a tacit resolution in support of the law as it stands. Marshal MacMahon lets it be known that he intends to stand by it. M. Gambetta refuses to be provoked into controversy by his extremer brethren. Moderate or Conservative Republicanism continues to be in the ascendant. Monarchy has become impossible, and even the Empire, by the too great impetuosity of its devotees, is believed to have lost its chance. The ferment of the public mind, as compared with that of the last two years, is becoming less violent, and, as it seems to us, less venomous; so that, on the whole, it may, we trust, be anticipated that France is in a fair way to realise the advantage of settled political institutions.

We will not extend our glance further. We need not. There is nothing especial to note with regard to other European States. For the present they are all quiet, each working out, with more or less promise and success, its own domestic problems. The sky can hardly be described as everywhere clear and blue. Over a large extent it is grey. But Providence may be thanked that there is no indication of immediately coming storms; and, possibly, a few years may serve to melt away the clouds which show themselves in the distance, and to give the world assurance of a settled European peace.

#### THE COURT.

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The Queen, with the junior members of the Royal family, continues at Balmoral Castle. Princess Beatrice and Prince Leopold were present at the ball given last week by the Prince and Princess of Wales at Abergeldie Castle. Her Majesty, accompanied by Princess Beatrice, drove to Glassalt Shiel on Thursday week, returning to the castle in the evening. The Right Hon. Gathorne Hardy dined with the Queen. Prince and Princess Christian of Schleswig-Holstein arrived at Balmoral on Saturday last on a visit to her Majesty. The Rev. Principal Tulloch arrived at the castle, and, with the Right Hon. Gathorne Hardy, dined with her Majesty. The Queen, Princess Beatrice, Prince Leopold, and Prince Christian attended Divine service at Crathie church. The Very Rev. Principal Tulloch officiated. Mr. Tulloch dined with her Majesty. The Queen accompanied by Princess Christian and Princess Beatrice, drove to Loch Callater on Monday. The Right Hon. Gathorne Hardy dined with the Queen on Tuesday. Her Majesty has walked and driven out daily. The Prince and Princess of Wales dined with the Queen on Tuesday. Her Majesty has walked and driven out daily. The Princesses have taken frequent rides, and Prince Christian has had good sport, deerstalking and shooting. Viscount Bridport and the Right Hon. Gathorne Hardy have left, and Colonel Maude has arrived at, the castle.

The Prince and Princess of Wales with the castle.

THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES. The Prince and Princess of Wales, with their children, continue at Abergeldie Castle. The Prince, with a numerous party, had an extensive deer-drive, on Wednesday week, in the words of Abergeldie, and numerous stags fell. In the evening the Prince and Princess gave a dance in the ball-room adjoining the castle, which was tastefully decorated with heather and other floral devices. Princess Beatrice and Prince Leopold were present, together with various families resident in the neighbourhood and the principal tenantry and servants of the were present, together with various families resident in the neighbourhood and the principal tenantry and servants of the Royal Highland estates. Supper was served at one o'clock. The Royal family joined in the dance, which was kept up until five a.m. to the music of the pipes and violin. On Saturday last the Princess, with the youthful Princes and Princesses of Wales, drove to Clachintown and partock of tea with Mrs. Blackburn, late nurse to the Royal children. The Prince and Princess attended Divine service on Sunday, and afterwards drove to Invercently on a visit to children. The Prince and Princess attended Divine service on Sunday, and afterwards drove to Invercauld on a visit to Colonel Farquharson. On Monday their Royal Highnesses were present at the Aboyne Highland Gathering. The Prince has during the week had excellent sport deerstalking in Ballochbrier Forest and on the White Mount, and also good shooting on the moors. The Princess, with her children, has had picnics and daily rides and drives in excursions to picturesque localities in the surrounding neighbourhood.

Prince Christian Victor and the younger children of Prince and Princess Christian have arrived at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, from Cumberland Lodge.

His Excellency the Portuguese Minister and the Duchess Saldanha have left the Portuguese Legation for Littlehampton.

The Duke and Duchess of Cleveland and Lady Mary Primrose have arrived at Raby Castle, Durham, from Battle

The Duchess of Buccleuch has arrived at Drumlanrig Castle, Dumfriesshire.

The Duke of Richmond, accompanied by the Earl of March, Lord Turnour, and Captain Balfour, has returned to Gordon Castle from Glenfiddich.

The Marquis and Marchioness of Hertford, accompanied by Lady Georgiana and Lord Victor Seymour, have left Ragley Hall en route for Germany.

The Marquis and Marchioness of Donegall have arrived at

Hampstead Marshall, Newbury, from Brighton. The Earl and Countess of Crawford and Balcarres and the Ladies Lindsay have arrived at Dun Echt, N.B., from Haigh Hall, Lancashire.

Earl and Countess Delawarr have arrived at Buckhurst from Inchmary, Hampshire.

The Earl and Countess of Craven have left Ashdown Park,

Berks, for Scotland.

The Earl and Countess of Bessborough have arrived at Bessborough House, Kilkenny, from Brighton. The Countess of Caledon and Lady Jane Alexander have left Carlton House-terrace for Castle Caledon, Tyrone.

The Earl and Countess of Clancarty have arrived at Lucerne.

Lord Carlingford and Countess Frances Waldegrave have arrived at Weymouth from Chewton Priory, Somersetshire. Earl de Grey, M.P., has left Studley Royal, Ripon, for

Viscount and Viscountess Powerscourt have arrived at

Powerscourt, Enniskerry, from Homburg. Lord and Lady Charles Bruce have arrived at Jervaulx Abbey, Yorkshire, on a visit to the Marquis and Marchioness of Ailesbury.

Lord and Lady Kilmarnock arrived at Slains Castle last week, and yesterday week Lord and Lady Erroll entertained the tenantry on the Erroll estates at the castle in honour of

the marriage of Lord and Lady Kilmarnock. The Hon, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Cowper have left Dublin for Breadlands, Hants.

The Right Hon. B. Disraeli returned to his residence in Whitehall-gardens, on Wednesday, from Bretby Park,

A marriage is announced between the Hon, and Rev. Canon Forester, Rector of Gedling and Canon Residentiary of York, and Miss Tollemache, eldest daughter of Mr. William Tollemache and the late Lady Anna Maria Tollemache, sister of the Duke of Somerset.

FASHIONABLE MARRIAGES.

The marriage of Lord Burghley, eldest son of the Marquis of Exeter, and Isabella, only child of Sir Thomas Whichcote, of Aswarby Park, Lincolnshire, was solemnised on Tuesday forenoon at Aswarby church. The bridesmaids, eight in number, were the Ladies Isabel, Mary, Catherine, Frances, and Louisa Cecil, sisters of the bridegroom, Miss Montgomery, Miss Freke, and Miss Venetia Bentinck. Lord Burghley was accompanied by his brother, Lord William Cecil, who acted as best man. The bride wore a dress composed of white satin, flounced and trimmed with Brussels lace and orange blossoms; flounced and trimmed with Brussels lace and orange blossoms; and a wreath of the same flowers, from which depended a veil of Brussels lace. The bridesmaids' dresses were of white muslin trimmed with skyblue silk; white chip hats with blue feathers. Each of them wore a gold locket with the crest and monogram of both families in blue and red enamel, surmounted by a coronet in rubies. The service was performed by the Rector, the Rev. Christopher Whichcote, uncle of the bride, assisted by the Rev. R. Webster, domestic Chaplain to the Marquis of Exeter. On leaving the church to return to the hall sixteen girls, dressed in scarlet petticoats, with scarlet and white tunics, strewed flowers on the pathway as the young married couple passed along from the church to the mansion. Their way was lined by a perfect avenue of spectators, who loudly expressed their wishes for the welfare and happiness of the bride and bridegroom.

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The marriage of Mr. Arthur Scott, of Rotherfield Park, Hants, and Miss Mary Angela Wellesley, second daughter of Lady Charles Wellesley and granddaughter of the late Duke of Wellington, took place also on Tuesday, at St. George's, Hanover-square. There were six bridesmaids—viz., Miss Wellesley (her sister), Miss Williams Wynn, Miss Thistlethwayte, Miss Lucy Martin, Miss D'Oyley, and Miss Emily Greenwood. The bride wore a white silk dress, trimmed with Brussels lace and feather trimming, and over a wreath of orange flowers was a tulle vell, fastened in the hair by sprays of diamonds. The bridesmaids wore blue silk dresses with white broché tabliers, straw hats lined with blue silk, trimmed with broché tabliers, straw hats lined with blue silk, trimmed with blue feathers and white lace. The religious rite was performed by the Hon. and Very Rev. Gerald Valerian Wellesley, Dean of Windsor. The bride was given and Windsor. The bride was given and the henry Wellesley.

The presents in both cases were numerous and costly. The bride was given away by her brother, Captain

#### THE CHURCH.

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Anderson, David, to be Vicar of Holy Trinity, Twickenham.
Andrew, E. G.; Rector of Water-Stratford, near Buckingham.
Brent, Percy; Vicar of Easton Maudit, Northamptonshire.
Clarke, J. T.; to the Consolidated Chapelry of St. Mary, Brynmawr.
Davies, Evan; Vicar of Llangennech, Carmarthenshire.
Flynn, Vicar of St. Luke's, Bradford; Vicar of Holy Trinity, Lowmoor.
Grant, Brewin; Incumbent of St. Paul's, Bethnal-green.
Hoare, D.; Vicar of St. David's, Holloway.
Jones, Evan; Rector of Newport, Penbrokeshire.
Meade, R. C.; Vicar of St. Neot's, Hunts.
Figou, F.; Vicar of Halifax.
Rose, J. H.; Vicar of Christ Church, Bradford.
Seaton, Douglas, Vicar of Breinton; Vicar of Goodrich.
Temple, K. L.; Rector of Thorp Morieux, Suffolk.
Wateon, George Bowes; Vicar of St. Mary's, Oatland's Park, Surrey.
Williamson, Arthur; Vicar of St. James's, Norland.
Wrench, F.; Rector of Newington, near Hythe, Kent.
Weenford, Joshua B.; Vicar of St. Mary's, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire.
Yeatman, H. W.; Chaplain to the Bishop of Salisbury.—Guardian.

The Bishop of London intends holding a general visitation of his diocese in November.

It is stated that Bishop Hale, of Perth, Western Australia, has accepted the Bishopric of Brisbane, vacant by the resignation of Bishop Tuffnell.

The Guardian is authorised to state that the Rev. Francis Pigcu, Vicar of Doncaster, and Chaplain in Ordinary to the Queen, has finally accepted the Vicarage of Halifax.

The Rev. Lord Sydney Godolphin Osborne, uncle of the Duke of Leeds (the "S. G. O." of the Times correspondence columns), has resigned the living of Bryanston-cum-Durweston, in Dorset, and the diocese of Salisbury, to which he was appointed in 1841.

We are requested to state that Mr. John Thirlwall, 59, Pulteney-street, Bath, would feel extremely obliged if persons who possess letters of Bishop Thirlwall would intrust him either with the originals or with copies with a view to publication. If originals are sent they will be carefully returned.

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York have consented to sign the certificates of the first class granted to candidates in connection with the teachers' examination promoted by the tions of England Sunday School Institute. These examinations which have had a count development. tions, which have had a rapid development, are conducted in the metropolis and throughout the country simultaneously yearly, and are voluntarily submitted to by all classes of Sunday school teachers.

In preaching his first sermon on Sunday as Vicar of Clerkenwell, the Rev. J. H. Rose referred to the recent election, and, while recalling the fact that much bitterness had been shown throughout the contest, expressed a hope that the parish would now become united. It is said that proceedings are to be taken by the Rev. Mr. Holderness's party with a view to set aside the election of the Rev. Mr. Rose, on the ground that for several reasons, the method of polling was illegal. that, for several reasons, the method of polling was illegal.

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The annual conference of the clergy and laity of the diocese of Oxford will be held in the Sheldonian Theatre, under the presidency of Bishop Mackarness, on Oct. 5 and 6. Holy communion will be celebrated in the cathedral at eight o'clock in the morning on Tuesday, the 5th, and the first meeting of the conference will take place at 10.30. The following is the programme of the proceedings:—To be moved by Mr. J. S. Bowles,—"That the proposed alteration in the law of burial in churchyards, as contained in the several bills laid before Parliament during the last few years, calls for the serious consideration of Churchmen." To be moved by Mr. E. W. Harcourt, High Sheriff of Oxfordshire,—"That this conference, whilst approving of the general system of patronage which now obtains in the Church of England, would desire to see it surrounded by such safeguards as should preserve it from abuses. To be moved by Mr. H. Barnett,—"That desire to see it surrounded by such sateguards as should preserve it frem abuses. To be moved by Mr. H. Barnett,—"That a committee be appointed to confer with the Bishop and Archdeacons of the diocese on the subject of ecclesiastical fees, as settled by the Act 30 and 31 Vict., c. 135, to be paid at visitations, with especial reference to the difficulty of payment arising from the Compulsory Church Rate Abolition Act, 1868." To be moved by the Rev. J. R. King,—"That the inadequate coccument of livings within the diocese of Oxford is an evil

calling for the earnest attention of all who are interested in the welfare of the Church." Members of the board of missions, as appointed by the authority of Convocation, to be elected for the diocese of Oxford. Twenty minutes will be allowed to the proposers of motions, ten minutes to other speakers. A vote by orders will be taken whenever it shall have been called for by twenty-five members, lay or clerical.

## THE OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.

The joint secretaries of the Oxford and Cambridge Schools Examination Board have just issued their award of certificates, from which we find that of the 461 candidates who offered themselves for examination 234 were successful. The following

themselves for examination 234 were successful. The following is the list:—

Abingdon Grammar School (1).—W. J. Comins.
Bedford Grammar School (6).—A. G. H. Beaman, F. Beaman, N. H.
Blake, W. Cross, A. M. C. Gomertz, C. E. Newcombe.
Bradford Grammar School (3).—J. Bacchus, A. J. Bolton, R. D. Cowan.
Blackheath Proprietary School (3).—W. H. Booth, E. C. Price, H. Schacht.
Brighton College (5).—C. F. Coxwell, R. S. Edwards, A. S. Monarty,
J. J. Rix, G. F. Shaw.
Bristol Grammar School (1).—F. E. Brightman.
Bromsgrove Grammar School (4).—R. W. Bond, J. Davonport, J. James,
W. R. Stillman.
Cheltenham College (11).—R. M. Blandy, H. W. F. C. Broadhurst, J. B.
Chancellor, A. H. Collins, G. Harrison, W. R. Lawrence, C. P. W. Maden,
R. M. Thomas, A. D. Wawn, F. B. Westcott, H. C. Wright.
Clifton College (10).—F. L. Cartwright, G. Dakyns, W. J. W. Glasson,
A. B. Kent, H. R. King, F. R. Meuricoffre, H. Perrin, C. Slater, H. C.
Thomson, R. E. Younghusband.
Corbridge Grammar School (1).—T. Hands.
Dulwich (6).—H. W. Lochnis, A. Meredith, A. C. Price, F. H. Voigt,
R. B. Webber, A. C. Williams.
Elizabeth College, Guernsey (2).—J. R. Cohn, J. M. Laine.
Eton (19).—J. D. Binney, J. F. Chance, J. B. T. Chevallier, C. W. Toley,
H. St. Clair, F. Fielden, W. C. Graham, C. S. Greenwood, H. P. Harris, C.
Lowry, H. Mellish, C. F. Oliphant, R. J. Parker, R. E. Pashley, W. R.
Paton, E. C. Perry, H. E. Ryle, R. J. Smith, F. J. Tuck.
Forest School (2).—G. B. Childs, C. F. Hardy.
Harrow (25).—A. H. Cochrane, G. M. Edwards, E. C. Elgood, F. H.
Gibb, H. W. Greene, T. B. Harbottle, C. E. Hewlett, A. F. Hills, C. H.
Hedgson, H. H. Longman, J. O. Murray, W. Radcliffe, H. R. Ashdall, E.
D. hendall, F. R. Robinson, W. H. P. Rowe, J. S. Saundys, C. R. Shaw
Stewart, B. C. Skottoive, G. W. Talents, J. C. D. E. V. Tattersall, J. M.
Thonsycroft, C. Torr, G. D. H. Vaizeya, M. Wilkinson.
Highgate (6).—H. Atkins, R. Atkins, H. P. Bodkin, G. E. Colville, P. C.
Glover, and G. Jacob.

King's School, Canterbury (6).—H. H. H. Boys, G. H. Cobb, J. Dean, F.
T. Har

Ring's School, Sherbonke (10).—T. H. Azwater, C. F. Sanctuary, E. A. Upcott, R. Weibb, H. Williams.

Learnington College (3)—E. H. A. A. Beaumont, R. P. Horsley, E. C. E. Owen.

Leeds Grammar School (1)—T. O. H. Horsman.

Liverpool (1)—A. W. Newton.

Magualen College School (1)—H. H. Robinson.

Malvern College School (1)—H. H. Robinson.

Manchester Grammar School (8)—W. Burslem, A. Evington, W. H. Heaton, H. A. Hill, A. E. Holme, W. B. Pope, F. W. Watkin, J. Wilkinson.

Marlborough (17)—R. Armitage, C. E. Blacket Ord, E. W. Buckle, G. J. Buckley, W. Dawson, S. J. Daltry, A. C. S. Gayer, F. G. Heaver, A. H. Hothouse, V. B. Johnstone, J. B. Kite, B. V. Melville, W. S. Robinson, A. H. Powles, G. D. Rowe, L. Thornton, H. H. West.

Merchant Taylors' (4)—W. Brooks, D. M. Robertson, M. Shearman, A. E. Weodward.

Queen Mary's School, Walsall (1)—E. W. Symons.

Radley College (7)—W. E. S. Cooper, S. C. Freer, W. F. Hubbard, J. A. Johnstone, P. E. Raven, G. D. C. Wheeler, B. R. Wilson.

Repton (6)—T. H. Garland, C. S. Harris, H. Lewis, J. S. Serjeant, J. Twigg, R. Winslow.

Anchmend Grammar School (2)—A. T. Hay, R. E. Leach.

Rugby (20)—G. B. Burnham, H. W. Fowler, G. H. D. S. Hamilton, H. B. Henning, D. C. Ireland, C. A. James, G. L. King, F. E. W. Langdon, H. F. Newall, A. Peusen, J. Ravenscroft, E. Satterthwaite, H. L. Smith, G. Turner, J. Turner, A. A. Vecqueray, B. H. Veley, J. Walker, G. G. Wilskinson, B. R. Wise.

Satton Valence Grammar School (2)—C. L. Feltoe, A. S. Reid.

Tonbridge Grammar School (1)—F. R. A. Hamilton.

Victoria College, Jersey (2)—H. R. Tottenham, J. W. Welsford.

Wellington College (5)—F. H. Capron, T. R. Cholmondley, R. A. Edgell, W. D. Fanshawe, B. Stillwell.

Westminster (1).—C. Brickdale Fortescue.

Weymouth Collegiate School (1).—W. G. Gregory.

Winchester (19)—A. O. Acworth, F. S. Baines, W. H. Binney, R. J. Burdon, E. T. Cook, A. M. Darling, E. S. Dodgson, M. J. Druit, A. L. Ellis, C. B. Goddard, H. C. Hawkins, F. A. T. Phillips, W. R. Sheldon, W. T. Snow, J. S. O. Tombs, R. C. L. Tomli

The following are the the names of the schools which have recently passed the greatest number of candidates in the Oxford Local Examinations:—Liverpool Institute, 7 seniors, Oxford Local Examinations:—Liverpool Institute, 7 seniors, 19 juniors: total 26; St. Olave's, Southwark, 12 seniors, 13 juniors: total 25; Streatham, 1 senior, 24 juniors: total 25; Middle Class School, Cowper-street, 8 seniors, 16 juniors: total 24; Devon County, 9 seniors, 14 juniors: total 23; New Kingswood, Bath, 4 seniors, 18 juniors: total 22; Liverpool College and North London Collegiate School each 20.

Among the young ladies who passed the recent Cambridge examination for the higher education of women is Miss Ottilie Blind, the daughter of Karl Blind.

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Major V. D. Majendie, R.A., and Major A. Ford, R.A., have been appointed by the Home Secretary to act as inspectors of the storage of explosive substances.

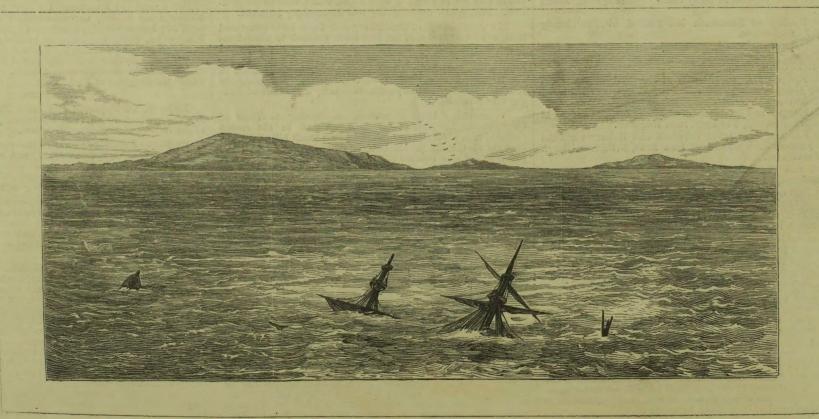
Sir Henry Barkly has assumed the government of Griqualand at the Cape by proclamation; and Sir Garnet Wolseley returns to England. The appointment of Major William Owen Lanyon, C.M.G., as administrator of the Government of Griqualand West, appears in the London Gazette.

Early on Wednesday morning [the [mail-steamer Duchess of Sutherland, from Dublin, ran into the steamer Edith, outside Holyhead Harbour, and sank her. There were eighty passengers, chiefly Irish labourers, on board the Edith, and all of them were saved, but a fireman and his brother were

A large and valuable herd of shorthorn cattle, which belonged to the late Mr. William Torr, has been sold by auction at Aylesby Manor, near Grimsby. There were eighty-four lots—seventy-one cows and heifers and thirteen bulls—and these produced a total of nearly £43,000, or an average of more than £510, several of the animals fetching prices from 1000 gs. to £2160 gs.—On Tuesday forty pure-bred shorthorns, belonging to Lord Skemersdale, and two belonging to the Earl of Bective, were sold by Mr. Thornton in Lathom market, for 5700gs. Two cows were sold for 520gs. each—"Fluffy Gwynne" to the Earl of Bective, and "Waterloo Bienvenue" to Colonel Oliver, Hampshire. There was a large gathering of breeders from all raits of England, America, Canada, and Australia. Prior to the public sale Lord Skelmersdale sold the "Duke of Ormskirk" (cut of the "First Duchess of Oneida." by "Fourth Baron Oxford"), three months old, for 2000gs., to Mr. Foster, of Killlicwe, Carlisle. A large and valuable herd of shorthorn cattle, which be-Killhowe, Carlisle.

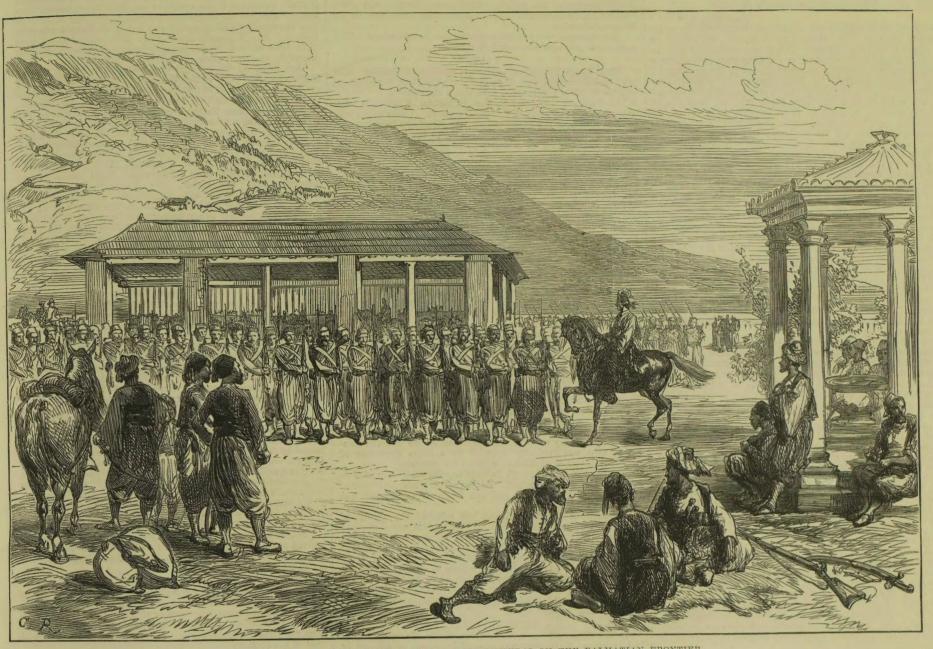


THE LATE COMMODORE GOODENOUGH, C.B.



WRECK OF H,M,S, VANGUARD AS SHE APPEARS AT HIGH WATER,

### THE INSURRECTION IN THE HERZEGOVINA.



OCCUPATION BY TURKISH TROOPS OF A CARAVANSERAL ON THE DALMATIAN FRONTIER.



NATIVES OF THE HERZEGOVINA AND NEIGHBOURING PROVINCES.

#### FOREIGN AND COLONIAL NEWS. FRANCE.

(From our Correspondent in Paris.)

Thursday, Sept. 9.

The sole political topic of any importance is the attitude taken by the Government with respect to M. Ducros, the Prefect of the Department of the Rhone. It will be remembered that he displayed some of that excess of zeal against which Fouché was a particular in cautioning his subordinates, in the presention the Department of the Rhone. It will be remembered that he displayed some of that excess of zeal against which Fouché was so particular in cautioning his subordinates, in the prosecution of the electoral society "La Permanence," by making perquisitions at the houses of respectable citizens, and that advantage was taken of their ardour to throw into his path forged letters purporting to emanate from leading members of the Republican party and containing expressions of a most compromising character for the writers. Subsequent investigations—and notably the Bouvier trial—proved that he had been hoodwinked by his own eagerness to discover something and by the treachery of subordinate officials to such a point that the Opposition journals loudly demanded his dismissal on the grounds of incapacity. In their eyes, as in those of the Duke of Otranto, it was worse than a crime, it was a blunder, inexcusable in one occupying so high a position. However, M. Buffet has warmly espoused the cause of M. Ducros, and, at the sitting of the Permanent Committee last week, defended him energetically, alleging that he had been deceived by false documents. On the Minister of the Interior's attention being also called to the attacks continually made by the Pays upon the Assembly and the Constitution, he sought to extenuate the offence and excuse the apathy of the Government by stating that if they once began to prosecute Government by stating that if they once began to prosecute for such matters they would have to prosecute all over the country. This led M. Laboulaye to remark that it was the old story, and that the Government only prosecuted Republicans

story, and that the Government only prosecuted Republicans and excused Bonapartists.

With this solitary exception, the political and social stagnation continues. In the absence of any other topic of interest the papers have all fallen back upon Chateaubriand, and have consecrated several columns daily to anecdotes and reminiscences of the author of the "Genius of Christianity." This arises from the fact that on Sunday last a statue of this illustrious writer was inaugurated at Saint Malo, his birthplace, and also the locality of his burial. The statue, which is in bronze, and is placed in the centre of the Place Chateaubriand, is from the studio of M. Millet. When the ceremony of uncovering it took place speeches were delivered by M. Camille Drouet, M. Paul Féval, the Duc de Noualles, and others, and in the evening a banquet and ball were given at the Hôtel and in the evening a banquet and ball were given at the Hôtel

de Ville of St. Malo.
M. Thiers still remains in Switzerland, where on Sunday M. Thiers still remains in Switzerland, where on Sunday last he received a congratulatory address from the French inhabitants of Geneva and Lausanne. Perhaps M. Gambetta, who has lett for the same country, will expect similar attentions. Marshal MacMahon continues to enjoy the delightful country life in the Loiret, having paid a flying visit to the capital on Friday to be present at a council. Amongst numerous departures from Paris, though it must be admitted of an enforced character, are those of the young men belonging to the reserve, who have been called out to do their twenty-eight days' drill with the troops engaged in the autumn eight days' drill with the troops engaged in the autumn manœuvres. Last Thursday a very animated scene was pre-sented at the different gates of the capital on the occasion of their departure. An important arrival took place on Tuesday, in the shape of upwards of a thousand Belgian pilgrims bound

Admiral de la Roncière le Noury's letter apologising for his non-attendance at the Evreux banquet, in which he states that he would only serve under a Conservative Government, has caused some excitement here; and the official journal of

that he would only serve under a Conservative Government, has caused some excitement here; and the official journal of to-day publishes a decree appointing Admiral Roze commander of the Mediterranean squadron, in place of Admiral de la Roncière le Noury. The decree is published without any comments as to the cause of this change of command.

Several delegates from England were present at a conference in favour of universal peace, held in the Co-operative Hall, rue d'Arras, on Monday and Tuesday.

The death of the Count de Montebello has been swiftly followed by that of another officer who held an important position at the Court of the Tuilleries. General Fisgard, president of the Committee of Fortifications and former governor of the Prince Imperial, died on Friday, at Château Vilain. Born in 1807, he distinguished himself during the Italian campaign of 1859, and in 1867 the practical education of the Prince Imperial was intrusted to him. He was commanding the camp of Châlons at the outbreak of the late war, and was then placed at the head of the second army corps. The affair at Saarbruck, which caused a certain amount of ridicule to be attached to all connected with it, did not find favour in his eyes, though his division took part in it. In the subsequent battles the troops under his command had much hard fighting; and, though his connection with the Imperialists placed him somewhist under a cloud full instice was subsequently rep battles the troops under his command had much hard fighting; and, though his connection with the Imperialists placed him somewhat under a cloud, full justice was subsequently rendered to his skill and conduct, and he resumed his duties as president of the Committee of Fortifications. M. Pils, a painter celebrated for his battle-pieces, a taste for depicting which he acquired during a visit to the Crimea, also died last week, at Douanenez, in Brittany. His funeral obsequies were celebrated on Wednesday, at the church of St. Trinité, in Paris, whither the corpse had been transported. One of his last works was the decoration of the staircase of the new Opera. Another death, this time of a personage who has outlived his reputation, is that of M. Calvet-Rogniat, the ex-deputy, who in the latter years of the Empire created such a sensation by inaugurating in the Aveyron election banquets worthy of the anti-Reform Bill days in England. The calves roasted whole on these occasions were for a long time a standing joke, and the expression "les veaux de M. Calvet-Rogniat" has become almost proverbial.

SPAIN.

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SPAIN Madrid telegrams state that Dorregaray was making his way towards Tolcsa, followed by 200 or 300 weary and dispirited men; Saballs, it is rumoured, has had to make his escape in order to avoid being shot by his own soldiers; and the Carlist forces in Catalonia are being reduced daily by deserters. General Jovellar has arrived in Madrid and been congratulated on the success of his campaign. He is expected to resume the

on the success of his campaign. He is expected to resume the portfolio of war, which he resigned before taking command of the Aimy of the North.

Despatches received by the London Carlist Committee state that a cargo of arms and ammunition has been successfully landed at Motrico for the Carlists, consisting of ten thousand rifles and a million of cartridges, in addition to four guns mentioned in a previous despatch. mentioned in a previous despatch.

PORTUGAL

The King returned to Lisbon on Sunday from a sojourn The king returned to Lisbon on Sunday from a sojourn at Vidago, where he went to take the waters. His health is much improved. He was met at the Abrantes junction by the Ministers. At Lisbon station he was received by the Civil Governor and many publics and officials and the General efficers. The guard of honour consisted of a regiment of infantry and a squadron of cavalry. His Majesty proceeded

to the Ajuda Palace, where he dined with the Queen, who returned from Cascaes to meet him. The King's journey through the northern provinces elicited everywhere the enthusiastic loyalty of the people. At Oporto, Braga, and other towns there were grand illuminations and festivities in his Majacty's honour

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The vintage everywhere promises to be abundant. The weather is hot, and rain is rather wanted.

ITALY.

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At Palermo, on Sunday, the Industrial Exhibition was opened in the presence of Prince Humbert. There was a ball in the evening at the Royal palace. On Monday a banquet was given by the Municipality of Palermo in his honour. The Prince, in replying to a toast, thanked the city and municipality for the reception accorded to him, and drank to the prosperity of Palermo, saying that the union with Sicily was inseparable from the prosperity of Italy. The Scientific Congress was closed on Monday by a touching address from Signor Mamiani and with a ball given by Prince Humbert. The visitors, on Tuesday, made an excursion to the Greek temples visitors, on Tuesday, made an excursion to the Greek temples at Girgenti.

The District Agricultural Exhibition was opened at

Florence on Sunday.

Cardinal M'Closkey had a private audience of the Pope at the Vatican on Wednesday. His Holiness received him very warmly, and remained in conversation with him for half an

Signor Saltriano, a member of the Italian Senate, has been arrested at Naples and brought to the castle of St. Angelo, where he will await his trial by the Senate for an offence

against the common law.

The trial of the gardener, Carmine Saisano, who is accused of the murder of the English painter, Mr. Hind, has been begun before the Naples Court of Assizes.

GERMANY.

The Emperor William, accompanied by the Crown Prince and Princess, the Duke of Connaught, Princes Charles and Frederick Charles, and the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, left Berlin, on Thursday morning, by special train, for Silesia, to attend the autumn maneuvres.

The equestrian statue of Carl August, was unveiled at Weimar yesterday week, in the presence of the German Emperor, who was cordially received by a large concourse of people who had assembled to witness the ceremony.

During his tour through Bavaria the Crown Prince of Germany was cordially received. His Imperial Highness returned

to Berlin on Wednesday, and the Duke of Connaught was

The Court of Appeal at Posen has rejected the appeal of Dr. Foerster, the Prince Bishop of Breslau, and has confirmed the decision of the Court of Birnbaum, which condemned the Prince Bishop to a fine of 2000 marks or 133 days' imprison-

ment for excommunicating Dean Kick.

The German Federal Council, which is shortly to recommence its sittings, will occupy itself at an early date with the task of revising the Criminal Code in a manner to meet cases like that of the man Duchesne. The Belgian law has already been amended in that sense.

AUSTRO-HUNGARY.

In the sitting of the Lower House of the Hungarian Diet last Saturday M. Ghyczy was elected President by 305 out of

GREECE.

King George departed from Athens last Saturday for Corfu, where he will reside for the remainder of the season. Perfect order reigns throughout the country.

A banquet was held at Athens upon the conclusion of the recent elections, but the speeches delivered were not of any particular importance.

RUSSIA. The Duke of Edinburgh assisted on Thursday week in laying the foundation of the great historical museum which is being built in Moscow, by directions of the Czarewitch. The first stone was laid by the Emperor, and the second by the

The Emperor Alexander and the Duke of Edinburgh

The Emperor Alexander and the Duke of Edinburgh returned last Saturday to Tsarkoe Selo from Moscow.

The Grand Duchess Maria Paulovna gave birth at Tsarkoe Selo, on the 31st ult., to a son, who has been named Alexander Vladimirovitch. He has been appointed commander of the 137th Regiment of Infantry, and also attached to the Predbrashenski Foot Guards, the Hussar Guards of the Emperor, and the Rifle Guards of the Imperial family.

The Envoy from Kashgar has visited various objects of interest in St. Petersburg.

General Kaufmann has telegraphed to the Czar an account of a battle which was fought between the Russian forces and the Khokand insurgents on the 4th inst. The enemy are said to have numbered 30,000 men, and they were defeated with considerable loss—that of the Russians being confined to seven killed and eight wounded. The General intends to pursue his advance upon Khokand as soon as he has received supplies.

SWEDEN AND NORWAY.

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The Chambers have voted bills for the establishment of banks of agriculture and central factories for developing the national resources

Tuesday being the fifty-third anniversary of the declaration of Brazilian independence, great preparations were made for its celebration.

AMERICA.

Riots have taken place at Clinton, in Mississippi, between whites and negroes. The former hold the town, and have killed forty of the latter and wounded many more.

An Indian outbreak has taken place in Nevada and Utah,

and many of the settlers have been killed. Troops have been sent to restore order.

It is announced from San Francisco that the leading

capitalists of that city have subscribed 4,800,000 dols, to enable the Bank of California to resume business. A Chicago paper states that Mrs. Lincoln, wife of the late President, has been released from Bellerne Asylum.

Mr. Jefferson Davis, the ex-Confederate President, gave an

address at an agricultural meeting at Desoto, Missouri. He was well received. He declined to discuss the past and deprecated political antagonism being carried on with bitterness and

was well received. He declined to discuss the past and deprecated political antagonism being carried on with bitterness and malice. Reverting to the currency question, he expressed himself in favour of an increase of currency, and was of opinion that the country should aim at increasing its direct trade with Europe. The Wisconsin Democratic Convention has adopted a platform marked by strong party feeling, but the resolutions passed by the convention evade the currency question.

According to the returns of all the ports of the United States for the year ended June 30 last there were 227,377 arrivals, a decrease of 85,962 compared with the previous fiscal year. Of the arrivals 139,880 were males and 87,497 females, the greater decrease having been in the number of males. The leading countries contributing to the population during the year were—Germany, 47,760; Ireland, 37,955; England, 40,098; Canada, 18,654; China, 16,433; France, 8315; Russia, 7982; Scotland, 7309; Austria, 6882; Norway, 6093; Sweden, 5573; Nova Scotia, 2874; Denmark, 2656; Italy, 3570; Switzerland, 1894; New Brunswick, 1505; Cuba, 1154; Australia, 1097; the Azores, 1176; Portugal, 763; Belgium, 608; Spain, 570; Wales, 449; Poland, 984; and Hungary, 776. Although there is a marked decrease in the total and in the arrivals from almost every country, the opposite is the case with China, there having been a marked increase in the number of arrivals on the Pacific coast from the Flowery Land, and this immigration apparently being only limited by the capacity of the vessels trading between the two countries. A great cause of the decline of immigration is the decline of employment and of wages in the United States.

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The Calcutta correspondent of the Times reported, on Wednesday, that the King of Burmah received Colonel Duncan courteously, and that Colonel Browne had arrived from China and proceeded to Simla.

The following telegram from Pekin has been received at the London office of the Inspectorate-General of Chinese Mari-time Customs:—"Legation: Kuo Sung Tao, formerly officiating

time Customs:—"Legation: Kuo Sung Tao, formerly officiating Governor of Canton province, and Usu Chien-Shên, expectant provincial treasurer, son of President of Board of Works, appointed conjoint Ministers to England."

The Times correspondent at Shanghai telegraphed, on Tuesday morning, that the negotiations which Mr. Wade has for some weeks been carrying on with the Government at Pekin have resulted in a settlement of the serious questions raised by the Manwine outrage. The terms conceded by the Chinese are as follow:—"China sends a special Ambassador to England, and undertakes to punish the guilty parties; Yunnan to give an indemnity to Mr. Margary's family; a trade route between Yunnan and Burmah to be opened, and the levy of Pekin taxes to be regulated." This arrangement, which, if honestly carried out, may be regarded as satisfactory, closes for the present a threatening chapter of Eastern politics.

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Reuter's telegram from Shanghai states that Mr. Wade arrived at Chefoo on Sept. 1, and returned to Tien-Tsin on the 2nd, with Vice-Admiral Ryder, the British Commander-in-Chief on the China station.

Prince Charles of Hchenzollern, Prince of Roumania, a few days since laid with great ceremony the first stone of the Castle of Pélèsche on his estate of Peatra Arsa, near the monastery of Sinaia, hoping, as the Prince expressed himself, that the castle might become the cradle of his dynasty and that of the country.

The Times correspondent at Toronto states that the Prince Edward Island Land Commission began its labours on the 16th ult. The commission consists of the Right. Hon. Mr. Childers, appointed by the Governor-General in Council, and Mr. John T. Jenkins, appointed by the local government of the province. The proprietor of each estate, as it comes under the consideration of the court, appoints a gentleman who acts as a third commissioner. Mr. Childers is the presiding commissioner, and his son, Mr. Charles Childers, is clerk to the commission. It is expected that the labours of the commission will extend over many weeks. sion will extend over many weeks.

M. Thiers, in acknowledging the presentation of a silver cup made to him by the French residents of Geneva at Ouchy on Sunday, delivered a speech in which he said that France had not been ungrateful towards him, but, on the contrary, full of recognition of his services. There was therefore no bitterness in his heart; indeed, he should be ungrateful if he complained. M. Thiers said that, Monarchy having become impossible in France, he had frankly advised his countrymen to adopt the Republican form of government, and to do all they could to assure success, that at last something might turn out well in France.

Details of the assassination of the President of Ecuador Details of the assassination of the President of Ecuador have been received by the mail-steamer Cambria. President Garcia Moreno, of Ecuador, was met in his palace at Quito, on April 16, by an officer, Captain Rayo, whom he had displaced from some office, and by two young men of Quito called Cornego. Rayo first struck the President, either over the head or shoulder, with a mechete, and was instantly run through by the sentry on duty, who fired a piece at the same time, killing the assassin. The two young men, after Rayo had struck the President, fired on the latter with their revolvers. The President fell on his face mortally wounded. The men escaped.

The French mercantile navy is now composed of 80 vessels of 800 tons and upwards, 70 of from 600 to 700 tons, 124 of from 500 to 600, 253 of from 400 to 500, 322 of from 300 to 400, 674 of from 90 to 300, 1373 of from 60 to 100, and 10,036 of 30 tons and less. The number of steamers included among these vessels amounts to 454, with an aggregate of 42,94z tons and 57,513-horse power; 100 of these steamers are of 200-horse power and upwards, 89 of from 100 to 200, 97 of from 60 to 100, 83 of from 30 to 50, and 86 of 30 and less. The number of vessels annually entering and leaving the French ports amounts to 119,000, and their tonnage is estimated at more than 10,500,000. Of these vessels 91,000 trade between the ports of the Channel and the Atlantic, and 28,000 between the ports of the Channel and the Atlantic, and 28,000 in the Mediterranean. The coast fishery employs 9250 vessels, with a tonnage of 71,850 tons, manned by 40,609 fishermen.

The Board of Trade has issued two revised scales of medicines, medical stores, and instruments for ships sailing under the Passenger Acts. One of these applies to North Atlantic steam-ships only, where the voyage, computed according to the Passenger Acts, does not exceed thirty-seven days. The second scale is to be used for ships where the length of the passage is one hundred days and upwards. It will be observed that in the former the word "voyage" is used, which includes, of course, both the outward and homeward passages. This scale will apply almost exclusively to the Liverpool steam-ships running between that port and New York, Boston, and Quebec. The second scale provides only for the outward passage, and will be used chiefly for Australian and New Zealand emigrantships, the great majority of which sail from the Thames. Both scales are very much simplified as compared with those hitherto in use, having been altered in accordance with the practice of medicine and surgery at the present day. The Board of Trade has issued two revised scales of medi-

#### METROPOLITAN NEWS.

We are requested to state that there is no foundation for the statement that Sir Francis Grant intends resigning the Presidency of the Royal Academy.

Several porpoises have lately been seen below and above London Bridge. One was shot near the Cherry Tree Garden landing-stage, Rotherhithe, and another was captured near

A gold hunting-watch, chain, and seal, a silver salver, and tea and coffee service, of the value of £150, have been presented to Mr. Paget, vestry clerk of Clerkenwell, by some of the inhabitants, for the services he has rendered to the parish.

Admiral Richard Collinson, K.C.B., was on Tuesday last unanimously elected deputy-master of the Trinity House Corporation in the room of Captain Sir Frederick Arrow,

Miss Emily Parker, a young lady of fifteen, sister of a well-known swimmer, swam last Saturday from London Bridge to Blackwall, a distance of seven miles, in an hour and thirty-five minutes.

A conference of gentlemen interested in the prosperity of the Australian colonies took place at the Charing-cross Hotel on Wednesday, at which the best means of colonising New Guinea, with a view to its ultimate annexation by Great Britain, were discussed at some length.

M. Carl Raslin, the Burgomaster of Buda-Pesth, has sent a letter to the Lord Mayor acknowledging the receipt of 5000f. as a first instalment of the fund raised at the Mansion House on account of the Hungarian inundations and conveying expressions of gratitude for the sympathy and aid of England.

At a meeting, yesterday week, of the executive committee of the fund being raised in the city of London for the relief of the distress attendant upon the recent volcanic eruptions in Iceland, it was stated that over £2000 had been collected; and it was resolved to purchase a quantity of rye and oats, to be sent as soon as possible to the 4000 sufferers.

A preliminary meeting of merchants was held at Gresham House, Old Broad-street, yesterday week, for the purpose of concerting measures for the protection of railway passengers. Mr. F. W. Robinson occupied the chair. After addresses from several gentlemen, it was decided that some of the leading railway companies should be solicited to receive deputations on the sphicet.

The weekly return of metropolitan pauperism shows that the total number of paupers last week was 82,612, of whom 32,190 were in workhouses and 49,702 received outdoor relief. Compared with the corresponding weeks in the years 1874, 1873, and 1872, these figures show a decrease of 8759, 16,320, and 19,103 respectively. The number of vagrants relieved on the last day of the week was 429, of whom 266 were men, 130 women and 33 children under sixteen women, and 33 children under sixteen.

The mania for jumping into the Thames continues. On Tuesday two men, named Walker and Lyon, successfully leaped from Westminster and Cannon-street railway bridges. Walker, who had backed himself to swim from Westminster to London Bridge, was attacked with cramp, rescued by a police galley, and carried to the Humane Society's receiving-house, where a warm bath restored him; while Lyon, who after coming to the surface had swum to a barge and got on board, was arrested by Inspector Franklin.

The following scholarships and prizes have been awarded at St. Bartholomew's Hospital for the medical year recently ended:—Brackenbury Medical Scholarship (£35), G. H. Hames; Brackenbury Surgical Scholarship (£35), M. Vernon; Senior Scholarship in Anatomy, &c. (£50), R. H. A. Schofield; open scholarships in science (two, £100 each), G. Coates, J. C. Saunders, &q.; preliminary scientific exhibition (£50), R. Gill; Jeaffreson Exhibition (£40), T. W. H. Garstang; Kirkes Gold Medal. G. H. Hames. Medal, G. H. Hames.

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The twenty-seventh annual report of St. John's House and Sisterhood, Norfolk-street, for the past twelve months has been published. From it we gather that the differences which existed between the committee of King's College Hospital and the sisterhood, to whom the work of nursing the patients there is intrusted, has been satisfactorily adjusted, since the report tenders the thanks of the sisters to the Duke of Cambridge and Lords Selborne and Hatherleigh "for having contributed to settle the terms of agreement." We gather, also, that St. John's House now consists of twenty-five sisters, all of whom are constantly engaged in hospital work, except the superior and two sisters, who live in Norfolk-street. There are also under them 120 nurses and probationer nurses, fifty of whom are told off for nursing work in private families and among the sick poor. The other seventy are actively engaged at Charing-cross and King's College Hospitals, and a few at the Galignani Hospital at Paris. This latter work, however, is to be discontinued at the end of the present month. Diets of nutritious food, we are happy to learn, provided out of the charitable funds of the Hospital Order of St. John, are distributed to the convalescent patients of King's College and Charing-cross Hospitals under the charge of the sisters, who also superintend the cooking of the food. The Bishop of London is president of the council of this sisterhood, and the chaplains are Dr. Vaughan, of the Temple, and the Rev. R. G. Maule, incumbent of St. John's, Drury Lane.

A body of workmen are engaged in the demolition of a part of Dr. Johnson's-building in the Temple, in order to make an entrance from Inner Temple-lane into Pump-court, and to bring out into day-light the beautifully-carved Norman archway which serves as the western entrance into the Temple Church. It will be remembered by readers of Boswell's Life of the learned Doctor that the latter took up his residence at No. 1 in Inner Temple-lane in the year 1760, and stayed there until 1765. During these five years he began his edition of "Shakspeare," and here Boswell first visited him in his "den." His biographer describes his apartments, his furniture, and his clothes while residing here as equally uncouth; yet here he held his levées of morning visitors, including such men as Arthur Murphy, Langton, Steevens, Beauclerk, and poor Oliver Goldsmith, who himself came to live here ten years later, and who now lies in a grave almost under the windows of the rooms that he occupied. It was in these rooms that Johnson was rigited by Mederage de Pourfflore the Expence for the Expense de Letters. who now lies in a grave almost under the windows of the rooms that he occupied. It was in these rooms that Johnson was visited by Madame de Boufflers, the French femme de lettres; and, as Beauclerk tells us, in spite of being dressed in slippers and a rusty-brown dressing-gown, from his door the learned Doctor insisted on escorting the finely-dressed lady to her coach that awaited her at the Temple-gate. It was while he resided here that Dr. Johnson took part in the founding of the "Literary" Club, and here that he was first seized by those fits of hypochondriac melancholy by which his intellect was weighed down in after life. Boswell too, it may be added, had his chamters at one time in Farrer's-buildings, at the bottom of the Inner Temple-lane; so that the spot on which the workmen are now engaged is associated with a double group of literary association. of literary association.

#### FREE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

THE LOUGHBOROUGH CHARITIES

The free grammar school at Loughborough, in Leicestershire, is endowed with rents arising from lands which one Thomas Burton had bequeathed, in 1495, for the maintenance of a chantry in the parish church. At the Reformation the revenues of the foundation were appropriated to the endowment of a grammar school, open to all the parish, together with a second-grade school and a national school, to the repair of public bridges, and to other local and charitable uses. The estates of Burton's trust provide an income of nearly £2000 a year. In 1683 Bartholomew Hickling, by means of a bequest, endowed a free school for twenty girls. A scheme has lately been approved by the Lord President of the Council, and will shortly become law, whereby these two endowments and that shortly become law, whereby these two endowments and that known as John Hickling's charity are amalgamated, with a view to maintaining the grammar school and the establishing view to maintaining the grammar school and the establishing of an upper school for not less than a hundred girls and of public elementary schools. These last named are to be carried on in the premises now occupied by Burton's Lancasterian Schools and Hickling's Girls' School. When completely formed, the new governing body will consist of eight nominated and five co-optative members, though at present eight of the trustees are appointed in the latter capacity. The grammar school will be of the first grade, the fee for tuition must not exceed £16, nor that for boarding £60 a year. In the girls' school the maximum fixed by the scheme is £8 and £40. Exhibitions tenable only for the purposes of advancement in education are provided for all the schools, and the governors are empowered to apply a yearly sum of £250 either towards the support of the elementary schools, or, if they see fit, in paying the fees of deserving scholars therein. As these several endowments have been dealt with in terms of the seventeenth and eighteenth sections of the Endowed Schools seventeenth and eighteenth sections of the Endowed Schools Act, no master under the new scheme need be in holy orders, nor can the qualification of any governor be affected by his religious opinions or form of worship.

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A modified scheme for the management of these schools, which were founded, in 1582, by Robert Johnson, Archdeacon of Leicester, has recently become law in virtue of the sanction of her Majesty in Council. The two schools had attained a high rank, and possessed many valuable University exhibitions, when the endowment was taken up by the Endowed Schools Commissioners. Its income then averaged £4300, divided between the hospitals and the schools. The managing bodies strenuously opposed the proposal of the Commissioners on various points, especially as to the clauses relating to the Oakham School. A few years ago a chapel was built to receive 400 boys, at a cost of £6000. Looking to the language of the statutes, and to the distinctively religious character of the body of governors, that they contended the foundation of the statutes, and to the distinctively religious character of the body of governors, that they contended the foundation should be treated under the nineteenth section of the Endo wed Schools Act. With this view the Commissioners did not concur, though they empower the new trustees to provide for giving religious instruction in the schools in accordance with the doctrines of the Church of England. It was further urged that the scheme tended to lower the high-class rank of the schools. The representations made to the Committee of Council were in part acceded to, and the scheme has been modified. It apportions four-sevenths of the income, in equal parts, to educational purposes, the remainder being devoted as hitherto to the benefit of the poor. Fifteen trustees are appointed on behalf of the Oakham School, of whom the present governors will elect five; the right heir male acts in present governors will elect five; the right heir male acts in his hereditary capacity, and the Bishop and Dean of Peterborough ex officio. The limit of fees is fixed at from £4 to £8 his hereditary capacity, and the Bishop and Dean of Peterborough ex officio. The limit of fees is fixed at from £4 to £8 for tuition, and a maximum for boarders of £30 in the hostel or of £50 in the master's house. The school is of the second grade, and its accommodation is to be increased. The scheme provides £50 a year for exhibitions for boys from public elementary schools; £200 a year for exhibitions to places of higher education, and for class teaching in connection with the Science and Art Department. When the pension accorded to Dr. Wood, the present head master, falls in, or sooner if the funds admit, the trustees may apply an annual sum of £200 in promoting the secondary education of girls. The scheme for Uppingham has for its object the maintenance of a first-grade day and boarding school. The entrance fee is not to exceed £5, nor the payments for boarding £70 a year; and the tuition fees will range between £20 and £30 a year. An annual sum of £100 is allotted to exhibitions, tenable at either school of the foundation by residents in Uppingham or within the county; and some scholarships not exceeding £50 each may be held in the school. In addition to the founder's exhibitions now tenable at certain colleges in Cambridge the trustees are required to assign an annual sum of not less than £300 for exhibitions to scholars proceeding to some University exercises are required to assign an annual sum of not less than £300 for exhibitions to scholars proceeding to some University exercises are required to assign an annual sum of not less than £300 for exhibitions to scholars proceeding to some University trustees are required to assign an annual sum of not less than £300 for exhibitions to scholars proceeding to some University or other place of learned scientific or professional education. The managing body will consist hereafter of nineteen persons, of whom one is hereditary trustee, four are ex officio, eleven representative, and three co-optative trustees. The ex officio trustees are the Bishop and Dean of Peterborough, the Lord Lieutenant of the county, and the chairman of quarter sessions. Of the representatives, the present governors appoint five, the masters of the school two, and the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge one each.—Pall Mall Gazette.

THE ROMANCE OF THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS.

THE ROMANCE OF THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS. The young wife of the Grand Duke Alexis of Russia, son of the Czar (says Galignani's Messenger) has just been divorced by the tribunal of St. Petersburg. She was a Hessian, and in that quality had been accepted by the Empress Maria Alexandrowna as a maid of honour. Her Majesty was rapidly captivated by her young countrywoman, who speedily became her favourite. Another conquest, of still greater importance, awaited the young lady in the Muscovite empire. Not absolutely pretty, but endowed with that grace that bewitches more than beauty, possessing a charming figure and an incomparable elegance. but endowed with that grace that bewitches more than beauty, possessing a charming figure and an incomparable elegance, she inspired the young Grand Duke with an irresistible passion. One evening the Empress saw enter her apartment the maid of honour, bathed in tears, who, throwing herself at her Majesty's feet, avowed her love and besought the Czarina's consent to the marriage. That same night the young lady was put into a railway carriage, and, under good escort, conducted to the frontier; whilst the Grand Duke Alexis received orders to rejoin his ship. But the Czar had reckoned without the determination of the two lovers. The Prince escaped, rejoined his fiancée beyond the Rhine, and Czar had reckoned without the determination of the two lovers. The Prince escaped, rejoined his fiancée beyond the Rhine, and married her in German territory, notwithstanding the paternal fulminations, and then left with her for America. The romance lasted two years, and nothing could bend the determination of the Emperor nor restore the son to his favour, when the influence of the Empress, being brought to bear on the son, determined the latter to accept his father's conditions. It was decided that the Grand Duke should consent to a divorce, resume his situation in the Russian navy, and that an annuity should be settled on the heroine of the romance. It was immediately after that the Prince was in London with the Czar. The formalities of the divorce were completed last week, The formalities of the divorce were completed last week.

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Wellington-road, North-end, Fullam, to be re-named Haldam-road, the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses re-numbered. The new thoroughfare connecting Hinds-street and Wigmore-street, St. Marylebone, will be called Mandavilplace. The names of Elm Park-grade connecting Hinds-street and Wigmore-street, St. Marylebone, will be called Mandavilplace. The names of Elm Park Estate, Fullam-road, Chelsen, on the condition that no barriers be at any time erected or other obstructions caused to the Free use by the public of the said roads. Camilla-road Morth, Bermondsey, to be incorporated with Camilla-road under the latter name, the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses in the whole line or Ook, Lewisham, to be re-named House Oak Park. The house at present numbered 9a, Stambope-place, Hyde Park, will be re-numbered 91, Seymont-street. New Grove-road and Old Grove-road, Fulham, will be incorporated under the name of Estecurt-road, the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses in the whole line of theoroughfare re-numbered. St. Germani's-road, Lewisham, near the North Kent Railway Station, will be re-number 91, Seymont-street. New Grove-road and Old Grove-road, Fulham, will be incorporated under the name of Estecurt-road, the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses in the whole line of theoroughfare re-numbered. St. Germani's-road, Lewisham, near the North Kent Railway Station, will be re-numbered 91, Seymont-street. Grove-road and Old Grove-road, Fulham, of the control of the present numbered of the control of the present numbered. No alteration will be made in the naming or numbering of the houses in Faults-chain, Godlinan-street, or Bunnet's-hill. Manor-street, Bermondsey, to be re-named Alberton-street, Canned Chapter of the control of the present numbered of the present numbered of the present numbered of the pres

#### AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.

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Great success attended the Hunts Show, held at St. Ives, on Wednesday, in the paddocks of Mr. Warner. The number of entries for all kinds of stock was large. The show of hunters was both large and good. Mr. Goodliff, of Huntingdon, a well-known exhibitor, was most successful in the hunters classes. His Lady Mary and Marshal MacMahon both secured the silver cups in their respective classes. Mr. R. H. Ekin's Wellington was a prize-taker for horses. The cups for the best cow and the best bull were both carried off by Mr. Outhwaite, of Barness, Cutterick. Mr. D. Gunnell, of Milton Cambs, the well-known sheep-breeder, was very successful with his fine flock, and secured by far the largest number of awards. Mr. I. Looker took most of the swine prizes. There was an interesting show of poultry.

Mr. Dodson, M.P., presided at the harvest home at Barcombe, Lewes, on Wednesday, and made a speech on the state of English agriculture. Referring to the wheat crops of the present year, he observed that, taking the United Kingdom generally, the produce was likely to be from 15 to 20 per cent below the ordinary average, and was no more than enough to feed eighteen out of the thirty-two millions of our population, thus leaving some fourteen millions to be supplied by imports. As to the general condition of agriculture, England was far ahead of every other country in the productiveness of its soil, and Holland, Belgium, and New Zealand alone came near us. The right hon, gentleman also dwelt upon the importance of having a good system of agricultural statistics.

Mr. G. J. Pinwell, a well-known painter, died at his residence, Warwick House, Adelaide-road, on Tuesday morning, at the age of thirty-three years. Although he had long suffered from pulmonary disease, his end was sudden and unexpected. For some time past there had been considerable apparent improvement; but a change for the worse set in our Sunday morning, since which time he gradually sank.



"THE DISCOVERY OF GREENLAND BY KING ERIC THE RED, A.D. 983." BY CARL RASMUSSEN.
FROM THE MARINE PICTURE GALLERY, BOND-STREET.

#### EDUCATION.

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Professor Fawcett attended a meeting at Salisbury (his native town) on Monday for the distribution of the prizes awarded by the committee and the University certificates in the late Oxford and Cambridge local examinations. The Mayor (Mr. S. R. Atkins) presided, and the meeting was attended by many of the principal persons connected with the city and neighbourhood.

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The prizes having been distributed by the Rev. Canon cayne, the Mayor called upon Professor Fawcett to address Swayne,

the meeting.

Professor Fawcett, who was received with much applause, said:—Considering that the examinations have been held in this centre for the first time; considering that the school-masters and schoolmistresses have had little experience in preparing their pupils for these examinations, I think that the results which have been achieved have been decidedly creditable and that the specess which has been attained may be the results which have been achieved have been attained may be able, and that the success which has been attained may be regarded as a sure indication that with renewed exertions still regarded as a sure indication that with renewed exertions still regarded as a sure indication that with renewed exertions still regarded as a sure indication that with renewed exertions still results. greater success is certain to be secured in the future. With regard to the general result of the examination in this centre, it may be remarked, whereas the boys did far better than the it may be remarked, whereas the boys did far better than the girls in the Cambridge examination at Christmas, the girls have done far better than the boys in the Oxford examination just held, so that, taking both examinations, the proportion of boys and girls who have satisfied the examiners is almost exactly alike. The chief cause of failure in an examination is a want of thoroughness and accuracy. Nothing produces so unfavourable an impression upon an examiner as a question answered in a loose and shambling style; and there cannot be a greater mistake than for a teacher or a pupil to suppose that going over a wide range of subjects in a cursory and shallow manner will produce so good a result in an examination as obtaining a more complete mastery over a much smaller number of subjects. There is one danger connected with these examinations There is one danger connected with these examinations on which I am anxious to say a few words of earnest caution. I notice that some of the candidates have taken no less than eight or ten subjects. It would, I am sure, be in every respect better, not simply with regard to the examination, but with regard to the influence exercised on the pupils' minds, if their attention was confined to a smaller number of subjects. Let it never be forgotten that excellence in a few subjects ought it never be forgotten that excellence in a few subjects ought to be regarded as a much greater distinction, and is certain to prove permanently far more beneficial, than mediocrity or showy superficiality in several subjects. It is not improbable that the system on which these examinations are now conducted is partly responsible for the candidates being encouraged to take in too many subjects. In the Oxford examination candidates, however distinguished they may be in one particular subject, obtain no recognition of this distinction unless they get in the aggregate a sufficient number of marks to get in the aggregate a sufficient number of marks to obtain first-class honours; and in the Cambridge examinations it is quite possible that the candidate who may exhibit particular excellence in some subject, such as mathematics or classics, may be classed much lower than a candidate who has done only moderately well in a larger number of subjects. I shall be sorry if it were supposed that I was recommending a too early concentration of the mind on one subject. I was recommending a too early concentration of the mind on one subject. There may be an excess of specialisation, just one subject. There may be an excess of specialisation, just in the same way as there may be an undue amount of diffusion. All that I am contending for is that nothing should be done to encourage thoroughness being sacrificed to a diffusive superficiality. In making these remarks I hope it will not be supposed that I desire in any way to disparage these examinations; no one can place a higher value upon their usefulness both to teachers and pupils than I do. My sole object is to both to teachers and pupils than I do. My sole object is to advise their being made as efficient in their working as possible. To the teacher they must prove most valuable, because they afford him an opportunity of ascertaining in what respect his system of instruction is defective, and where it most needs strengthening. To the pupils these examinations will serve as an incentive to industry, and will train them in a habit of careful expression and accurate thought. It must not be supposed that these advantages are confined to those who obtain success. Many of those who have now failed will no doubt be successful on another occasion; and even if future success is not in store, there is not one of those who have failed who is not better for the extra effort and mental discipline which preparation for the examination has called forth. For more than twenty years I have had an abundant opportunity of watching those who have passed examinations where competition has been the most severe; and I have no hesitation in saying that where one has suffered any mental or bodily injury from overwork, at least twenty have brought upon themselves far more serious and lasting harm by living a purposeless and indolent life. The longer I live the more I become convinced of the truth of the remark I once heard made by one whose memory will long be honoured in this city. I remember talking to Dr. Fowler when he was in his ninety-sixth year. I was so much struck with his extraordinary vigour that I asked him to what it was due. He said, "The chief circumstance to which I attribute my health is that throughout life I have always acted on the principle that it is just as important, even from the health point of view, to keep the mind active as it is to give plenty of exercise to the body." Again and again I have been reminded of the truth of this remark when I have observed that none seem to enjoy such perfect health as those who combined in the seem to be seen to enjoy such perfect health as those who combined in the seem to enjoy such perfect the set of the seem to enjoy such perfect the set of the seem to enjoy such perfect the set of the seem to enjoy such perfect the set of the seem to enjoy such perfect the set of the seem to enjoy such perfect t health as those who combine in due proportions mental and bodily activity. Only a certain number of hours can be profitably spent in reading each day. When the mind gets jaded the work that is done leaves no good result behind, and I believe that six hours' work a day will often produce a better result than ten hours. I have known one who has been working five or six hours a day, preparing for his examination, spend his leisure time not in the fresh air taking healthy exercise, but in sitting in a close room reading a novel. If under such circumstances the health gives way, can it be fairly laid to the charge of the examination? Probably, however, the most serious attack which will be made upon the examination system, which has extended with such remarkable rapidity during the last few years, will come from the privileged classes, who are beginning to perceive that these remarkable rapidity during the last few years, will come from the privileged classes, who are beginning to perceive that these examinations will be an agency with which the people will be able effectually to attack the stronghold of patronage. Signs are not wanting that a vigorous effort will be made to return to the cld days, when appointments in the Army, in the Navy, and in the Civil Service were not open to the whole nation, but were obtained through family influence and political favour. The cld state of things has already been, to a certain extent, restored in the Navy, where appointments are no longer to be competed for; what has been done in the Navy will also soon be done in the Army and the Civil Service, if the people are not sufficiently watchful. The simple principle for which we ought to contend is this, that these appointments, held for the public advantage, paid for by the public money, ought not to be appropriated to particular classes or to particular families, but that they should be held by those who are most fitted to discharge their duties. I should be prepared to admit as freely as anyone that an examination

is not an infallible test of fitness; but however highly the imperfection of the test may be estimated, it may with confidence be maintained that, as a test of fitness, it is incalculably more accurate than when men are selected either by political favour or for family connection. One very important advantage must undoubtedly result from the spread of these University examinations, and from the gradual extension to the entire country of that system of University teaching which is now being carried out with such marked success in many of our large towns. No one, I think, can deny that a very powerful stimulus will then be given to higher education. Not only will instruction of a superior kind be brought within the reach of many who will otherwise not be able to enjoy it, but great numbers in every class of society will be encouraged to continue their studies when they know that the knowledge which they may acquire will be fairly tested by some of the ablest men in the country. It cannot be too constantly borne in mind that the great problem of national constantly borne in mind that the great problem of national education will not be solved by simply securing the elementary instruction of the people. We should not rest satisfied until the vast educational and other endowments possessed by the nation are so administered that the children of the humblest and the poorest shall have an opportunity of continuing their studies if they possess such special faculties as to enable them to profit by high education and to attain intellectual distinction. I am glad to hear that a movement is commencing here, which I trust is an indication of what will take place in other parts of the country, to utilise some of the endowments possessed by this ancient city to promote the intellectual advancement of its inhabitants. No one would desire to see bequests which have been left to the poor by munificent benefactors in the past diverted to the exclusive benefit of other classes; but it certainly seems to me that few things that could be done for the poor would confer on them a greater advantage than opening up to them avenues of higher education by enabling those children who may most distinguish themselves in the elementary schools to be gradually advanced by the aid of scholarships and exhibitions to second and first grade schools. During the last few years I have so often seen those who have gained the highest honours at Oxford and Cambridge obtain their first success in these University local examinations, that I believe it is not too much to expect that some of those who have this day been rewarded

to expect that some of those who have this day been rewarded with certificates and prize; have a future before them in which still greater successes will be gained.

In conclusion, I trust my young friends here will allow me to offer them a word of advice and encouragement. Everything in life that is worth doing requires a good deal of hard work and much sustained effort. Difficulties will have to be mastered; obstacles will have to be overcome. Sometimes you will perhaps think that you will scarcely be repaid for all this will perhaps think that you will scarcely be repaid for all this labour; perhaps you will be reading some subject and you may think that it will be of little practical use to you in after may think that it will be of little practical use to you in after life. You may be trying to unravel some knotty point in mathematics, or to understand some obscure passage in a classical author, and the thought may suggest itself to you, "What use will mathematics or Greek or Latin be in afterlife? Will they be likely to secure me greater success in business or professional pursuits?" If, however, such thoughts should ever suggest themselves to you, you may with confidence dismiss them, for you may rest assured that, whatever your future may be, a well-trained mind, habits of industry and of close application acquired in early youth, will stand you in good stead, whatever may be your work in life.

#### MR. ROEBUCK, M.P., AT SHEFFIELD.

A public museum, bought and fitted up by the Corporation of Sheffield, was opened to the public on Monday. It is in the midst of a beautiful park which the Corporation purchased a short time ago, and which has since been laid out as a pleasure garden. In the evening Mr. Alderman Fisher, chairpleasure garden. In the evening Mr. Alderman Fisher, chairman of the free libraries and park committee, entertained that body to a dinner at the Victoria Station Hotel to celebrate the event. There were present Mr. J. A. Roebuck, M.P., the Mayor, and other gentlemen.

Mr. Roebuck, in proposing the toast of the evening, "Success to the Sheffield Free Public Museum," said:—I look upon a museum as one of the instruments of the education of the people, and as that I esteem it and think it of value, and as that I recommend it to your consideration. When we consideration to the people is a supplementation of this contract. sider that in this present time the government of this country is really in the hands of the working classes of this country we must be aware that a very great and important duty falls we must be aware that a very great and important duty falls upon that class of the community. If they be uneducated, if they be rude and ignorant, we cannot expect this government to be well conducted; and all means that can be adopted of raising the people of this country in the matter of education; all means that can be adopted of instructing them and guiding them to right views and feelings upon the government of this country ought to be with us matters of great consideration. "Oh! this museum," people will say, "must have very little to do with the education of the people." They who say that very little understand how education is given to the people, or the means by which they receive it. Now, I am quite sure the park and the house and all the means around it are the most effective instruments of that sort of education which I desire to see. I wish to see the working means around it are the most effective instruments of that sort of education which I desire to see. I wish to see the working men of this country not led to desire that they should lift themselves out of the sphere into which God has consigned them, but that they should make themselves happy and worthy in it. This small park, and this small building, which has a museum and a picture gallery in it, may be said to be a very infinitesimal instrument in the education of the people of Sheffield. Thousands go there, and thousands are influenced Sheffield. Thousands go there, and thousands are influenced by what they see. The pictur: gallery there softens their minds and enlarges their thoughts; makes them know more of human nature and of human things than they now know; and the very going through these in an orderly manner is a mode of development. of education. I have been accused of exaggeration and folly because I believe the educational institutions of this town have already had an effect upon the people; but I believe that the child who has been made to feel the benefit and influence of authority, who has learned something in the way of what is called 'knowledge,' who has been made to believe himself one of a community in which he is bound to be kind and civil to his neighbour, cannot go from his school to his home without affecting his parents. I believe gentlemen of the press, who fancy that they are the lords of creation, may learn something then from so humble an individual as myself, when I tell them that it is a matter of great importance that the people of Sheffield have already felt the influence of the Government institutions of this country, and that the people of Sheffield of to-day are not what they were five years back. Therefore I recommend to you this park and this museum, which I believe may be made an instrument of much good. The museum contains geological specimens. I suppose it contains specimens of comparative anatomy, and the child who has learned geology at home may go to that park and that museum and see there specimens which will teach him what the science is which he is learning. Children may learn a good to his neighbour, cannot go from his school to his home with the science is which he is learning. Children may learn a good ceal from that museum; they may learn a great deal of com-

parative anatomy, they may learn a great deal of geology, and when they know how this world is fashioned and how it has when they know how this world is fashioned and how it has been built up, the mind that acquires that knowledge is already enlarged thereby, and the mind which is in the body of a man makes the body more kind, more gentle, more civilised, and more tractable. And I believe, Sir, that this institution of yours that you have built up is one of the great institutions of this good town of ours, and I believe also that the Town Council of Sheffield never spent its money better than in the buying of this park. Now there is one also that the Town Council of Sheffield never spent its money better than in the buying of this park. Now, there is one thing I mean to say. I fear it may raise something like dispute and discord, but I will say it because ideas are to be propounded before they are received by the community. Men go forth as pioneers of thought, as there are pioneers in the western part of America. Now, when my friend Mr. Alderman Fisher told me that the museum was to be open for six days in the week, every day except Sunday, I said "I am sorry to hear you say that, for Sunday is the very day on which it ought to be opened." Mr. Alderman Fisher replied, and I believe he replied truly, "public opinion will not go with us." But let us try public opinion. Let us see if public opinion cannot be made to feel that the man who has his bulldog by his side and goes out to the Sheffield moors to fight the bulldog or to hunt the rabbit may be induced to go aside into the park and behave rabbit may be induced to go aside into the park and behave himself like a civilised man in a civilised community. Do we not do him good thereby? and cannot we believe that by opening a park in that way we may do good service, and that opening a park in that way we may do good service, and that in our service to him we may benefit mankind? What renders it still more curious is that my friend (Mr. Alderman Fisher) has just told me that the park will be opened on a Sunday, but that the museum will not. Why not? What would they see in the museum that would render a man less a Christian—a less good, a less worthy member of society. He sees the wordrows effects of knywny intellect, beautiful nice sees the wondrous effects of human intellect, beautiful pictures rendering to him glad thoughts and kind ideas, and bringing to his mind considerations which, as a human being, elevate his feelings and make him a better member of the community. You let him go out and look at the trees. Well, God has made them; and nobody can admire God's creation God has made them; and nobody can admire God's creation more than I do; and when a man has imitated the trees and put them upon glowing canvas, I think they can do no men harm to look upon. Therefore, the distinction made between the park and the museum is to me a wonderment. I cannot help seeing it, and I hope the time will come when this wonderment will cease. Now, I think I have said enough to recommend this park to you. If I have any power, if my voice has any authority, I would say to you, Do all you can to put before the people of Sheffield and the people of England means of this sort to raise them in their condition, make them good, make them worthy, make them real Englishmen. them good, make them worthy, make them real Englishmen. Don't teach them to aspire to inordinate wealth, and fancy that, because some men have suddenly risen up from the condition of a humble railway servant to be railway lords, and have their hundreds of thousands, that they should imitate them or that they should expect to be in their position. That cannot be. The large body of mankind are deemed to labour; the large body of mankind must win their bread by the sweat of their brow. Doing it, they may be good referred to be in the bread of their brown. pread by the sweat of their brow. Doing it, they may be good citizens; doing it, they may be good men; doing it, they may be kindly creatures one towards another; and they may hold up their faces before the Lord of us all, and say we are worthy of being upon this earth that you have made. With these few words, I desire to propose "Success to the Sheffield Free Public Museum;" and I beg you, gentlemen, to believe that there is a no more ardent friend of the museum of Sheffield

The hon, and learned gentleman also spoke in reply to the toast of "The Borough Members," and commented on some

toast of "The Borough Members," and commented on some articles which had recently appeared in London and Sheffield newspapers. Several other toasts followed.

Mr. W. Bragge, in proposing "The Health of the Borough Members," said he had read in a recent number of Fors Clavigera that Mr. Ruskin intended to open a museum in Sheffield in connection with the St. George's Company. He accordingly wrote to Mr. Ruskin telling him a museum was already being formed and nearly completed, and that he should be glad to place it at his disposal. He received in reply the following letter, and, though he had very great regard for Mr. Ruskin, he could not help thinking that "much learning had made him mad":—

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Brentwood, Coniston, Lancashire.

My dear Sir,—I am obliged by your note; but the work of the St. George's Company is necessarily distinct from all others. My museum may be, perhaps, nothing but what deserves respect in art or admiration in nature. A great museum in the present state of the public mind is simply an exhibition of the possible modes of doing wrong, and an accumulation of uselessly multiplied ugliness in misunderstanding nature. Our own museum at Oxford is full of distorted skulls. Your Sheffield ironwork department will necessarily contain the most barbarous abortions that human rudeness has ever produced with human fingers. The capitals of the iron shafts in any railway station, for instance, are things to make a man wish, for shame of his species, that he had been born a dog or a bee.

Ever faithfully yours,

J. Ruskin.

P.S.—I have no doubt your geological department will be well done, and my poor little cabinets will enable your men to use it to better advantage; but would be entirely lost if united with it.

#### MR. WATKIN WILLIAMS, M.P., AT WREXHAM,

A somewhat novel ceremony in connection with elementary education took place at Wrexham yesterday week, when Mr. Watkin Williams, Q.C., M.P., presented prizes to nearly two hundred children of the elementary school, the gifts being pro-

hundred children of the elementary school, the gifts being provided by subscription, under the sanction of the School Board. Sir W. W. Wynn, Bart., M.P., presided.

Mr. Watkin Williams presented the prizes, and said it was not long ago—certainly it was in his recollection—when it was necessary to argue in favour of the general education of the people. He remembered the time when the proposition was disputed and confuted with great zeal, but it was now no longer so; and although there might be a few who would dispute it in their hearts, they would not come forward to deny the proposition that every State should educate its children as well as they possibly could. Still, although they no longer disputed that every child should be educated, there was a great conflict of opinion as to the manner in which this should be conflict of opinion as to the manner in which this should be done. They could not look around them to those countries with which those who knew something of geography were familiar—viz., Germany, France, Italy, and other European States, without observing the terrible and momentous conflict going on between two great parties for the control of the education of the people. This was the conflict going on between the secular and clerical powers. Happily, in England, owing to exceptional circumstances, they were only acquainted with that struggle in a mild and mitigated form. Still it existed. In France this feeling ran very high, owing to the policy which gave religious bodies the management of their own universities and colleges. In this country it was a matter of astonishment that such a liberty should be disputed and should raise such a storm of opposition. Here in England there was a difference of opinion, and since the passing of the Education Act that difference had come more prominently forward. For his own part, he never could understand why those in favour of the religious element. two great parties for the control of the education of the people.

in education should object to the secular teachings of the elementary schools. Certainly mere book learning was inadequate as a means of religious education, which depended much more on example and the good taste of the teachers. Therefore he never could understand why this or that religious faith should be jealous of the scanley teaching in the religious faith should be jealous of the secular teaching imparted in elementary schools. Any such teaching must at least assist those who wished to found upon it any system of morals or dogma, and the elementary teaching in the secular schools should serve as a start in the further instruction which any religious body would wish to impart would wish to impart.

#### MUSICAL EDUCATION IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

The reports of her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools in Great Britain in the annual bluebook of the Education Department contain numerous references to the musical attainments of the

J. Rice Byrne, inspector for the metropolitan division of the county of Surrey, fears that there is little to afford encouragement to those who would see vocal, if not instrumental, music form a necessary part of the education of the labouring classes. In a few schools in his district instruc-tion is given, more or less systematically, in musical notation; in at least half a dozen with results highly creditable to the instructor and his methods, but in the great majority the children are "taught to sing from ear"—that is, the required list of school songs is produced and two or more are shouted out with energy indeed, but with little regard to any of the rudimentary ground principles of music. Yet, although several have been admonished, not one school has as yet incurred the forfeiture officially adjudged to any grave deficiency in this particular. The general prevalence of discordance, Mr. Byrne adds, is so great that "it is not easy for any one school to show itself processing any one school to show itself processing and the others." more unmusical than the others.

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The Rev. F. F. Cornish, inspector for Lincoln and Notts, speaks more hopefully, and says that the number of schools is slowly increasing in which he can listen with real pleasure to the singing of the children, and that there are fewer than there were in which the singing is absolutely painful to hear. The "music minute" has, he considers, undoubtedly done good in this respect. He advocates a more general use of "marching songs," especially in boys' schools.

In the Essex schools, inspected by the Rev. Nevill Gream, the alteration in the code just referred to has not, the inspector says, led to the results he anticipated, and he ascribes the failure to the incapacity of the teachers, com-

ascribes the failure to the incapacity of the teachers, comparatively few of whom have received any real musical training, and consequently are only just able to get their children through the stipulated number of pieces ready for inspection, but beyond that they either cannot or do not go. Their incompetency, Mr. Gream affirms, usually shows itself from the manner in which they commence the singing. Instead of sounding the note and running up the scale before they begin, they usually say, "Now, boys, begin all at once." And (adds Mr. Gream) they do begin, each boy on a different parts and for the first few seconds there is a said discord. Such note, and for the first few seconds there is a sad discord. Such men have yet to learn that noise is not music. Mr. Gream is of opinion that the quality of voice is usually sweeter in town than it is in the country; but the results obtained in some of the purely agricultural schools show, he says, what may be done by careful cultivation and training.

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The Rev. J. W. D. Hernamann, inspector for the registration county of Worcester, submits a special report on music by his assistant, Mr. J. Pember, who makes the common complaint that teaching "by note" is neglected—a fact which he regrets, because such teaching involves a very small expenditure of time. He strongly recommends Mr. Curwen's system.

The Rev. John Lomas, writing of the schools in the Stockport district, says that once only has he felt bound to withhold a recommendation for payment of the grant for music, although

a recommendation for payment of the grant for music, although he admits that in many cases it has been barely earned. The songs, he says, have been ill chosen, or the singing has smacked songs, he says, have been ill chosen, or the singing has smacked too much of the mendicant style, or the children have sung lustily enough and with a good courage, showing that there was no want on their part of will or inclination to learn; but that the fault lay with the teacher, who apparently despised harmony or failed to appreciate its refining influence. In Lancashire and the manufacturing towns of Cheshire, Mr. Lomax says, the people are "music loving," and that all efforts to teach the subject well are heartily appreciated. Concerts are occasionally given by the scholars, under the superefforts to teach the subject well are heartily appreciated. Concerts are occasionally given by the scholars, under the superintendence of the master, aided by his pupil teachers; and the inspector reports that they have a decided influence for good both on teachers and children. Mr. Lomax pleads for a greater attention to the subject, on the ground that, while other studies are no doubt important in their bearing upon the duties and callings of after life, yet for average men and women, who cannot aspire to any high degree of mental cultivation, the influence of music has much more to do with their daily happiness than one is apt to suppose. It tends to make them more contented with their lot, and gives them that repose of mind which it is the highest philosophy to attain.

In the schools of the registration counties of Oxford and Bucks, the Kev. A, Adair Pickard says that he only found one school in which singing did not form a part of the ordinary course of instruction. In that case, Mr. Pickard adds, the master told him he had thought it better not to waste time in teaching music, because he wanted the boys to learn algebra.

master told him he had thought it better not to waste time in teaching music, because he wanted the boys to learn algebra. The result was that every boy failed in algebra, and even if they had passed no payment could have been made, as they failed in the standard examination.

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The Rev. C. F. Routledge, inspector for East Kent, says that the musical proficiency of the children in his district is very fair, considering especially that a "man of Kent" is not usually blessed with a melodious voice. In no case was there a failure to satisfy the requirements of the code; and although in many cases there was a want of light and shade, a dreadful shouting or monotony of expression, yet on the whole he was surprised at the results already accomplished. It is, he adds, desirable that music should be more cultivated by pupil teachers, very few of whom pass a creditable examination in

desirable that music should be more cultivated by pupil teachers, very few of whom pass a creditable examination in it when candidates for admission to a training college.

Mr. M. J. Barington-Ward, M.A., in speaking of South Yorkshire, finds the average higher in his district, partly owing to the love of music among the people. He decidedly advocates teaching by note instead of by ear, and points out that it is not absolutely necessary that the teacher should himself give the musical instruction.—Pall Mall Gazette.

The annual regatta was held on Tuesday, at Folkestone, under the presidency of Mr. Wightman, the Mayor. A long list of prizes was contended for.

A brilliant meteor was observed in different parts of the country at twenty minutes past eleven o'clock on Tuesday night.

The Prince of Wales has decided that his free scholarship in the National Training School for Music shall be awarded, after an open competition, among the inhabitants of the Principality of Wales.

#### NORWICH ELECTION COMMISSION.

The election inquiry is still going on.

The employment of voters as messengers was the principal subject of inquiry yesterday week, and one witness acknow-ledged that he had employed fifty-five messengers at the last election when four would have been sufficient.

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Mr. E. A. Tillett, son of the Liberal candidate for Norwich, was examined on Saturday, and stated that he had no idea that messengers were being colourably employed on his father's side. He admitted having lent money for the payment of messengers in his presence. Mr. Gilbert, the Conservative agent, put in a list of messengers employed on his side at the last election, which he now estimated at 1670. In this number were included, perhaps, 1400 voters. Mr. Womersley, a gentleman in the employ of Mr. Colman, M.P., was also examined, and had an amusing passage-at-arms with the Chief Commissioner.

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Among the witnesses examined on Monday was Mr. Baron Huddleston, who stated that he had consented to stand in 1870 on the understanding that his expenses should not exceed £1300, but that when he stood in 1874 the costs were much greater, and that he was disgusted at the amount. He also disclaimed all knowledge of illegal practices by his party. At the conclusion of the learned Judge's evidence the Commissioners intimated that he had given it to their entire

Mr. Campbell, a solicitor, who was consulted by Mr. Baron Huddleston as to the advisability of paying the extra demands made upon him for the election of 1874 after £1774 had been paid, gave evidence on Tuesday. He said he went into these accounts, and found items for printing, personation agents, and roughs. He was informed that they had come in too late and roughs. He was informed that they had come in too late to be included in the published accounts. These extra sums amounted to £900, and, after much demur, Mr. Baron Huddleston paid £756. Sir Henry Stracey and Mr. A. Bignold were among the witnesses examined, and they gave evidence chiefly respecting their election expenses.

Mr. Colman, sitting member, was examined on Wednesday. He stated that there was a difference of opinion amongst the election managers as to how many messengers were required, but added that in future they must do with fewer than had been hitherto employed. His accounts for the election of 1874 had not yet been examined, as it was unsettled how he and Mr. Tillett were to share the expenses. He handed to the Commissioners a statement showing that at the last general election in many constituencies the expenses were as heavy as

Mr. Coakes, agent for Sir William Russell in 1863, was under examination on Thursday morning respecting that election. Concerning some payments made in 1869 in respect of the 1868 election, witness said he believed they were for the most part honest, and ought to be included in the sheriff's account, but he suspected some were payments to agents who, late on the afternoon of the election day, and to save the election, had been ordered to vote.

#### THE IRON AND STEEL INSTITUTE.

On Monday the meeting of the Iron and Steel Institute was opened at Manchester. The council met at the Queen's Hotel, under the presidency of Mr. William Menelaus, who succeeds Mr. Lowthian Bell, M.P., as president of the institute.

The public business of the institute was opened in Owens College on Tuesday—Mr. Menelaus, the president, in the chair. There were fifty eight new members enrolled and

Owens College on Tuesday—Mr. Menelaus, the president, in the chair. There were fifty-eight new members enrolled, and the total membership is now about 900. The Mayors of Manchester and Salford attended the opening proceedings, and gave the institute a hearty welcome. The Bishop of Manchester, who was also present, made a happy speech, in which he expressed his profound respect for the practical men there assembled. Mr. Adamson read a paper on high-pressure steam gravally and its application to quadruple engines. In the generally and its application to quadruple engines. In the discussion which followed the reading of Mr. Adamson's paper, Mr. Wroe, Dukinfield, who said that he appeared before the meeting as a cotton-spinner and not as a practical engineer, and would therefore stick to real facts, stated that the employment of the quadruple system of engines in his mill as compared with the triple system saved nearly half the fuel. A discussion followed on a paper read at the last meeting in A discussion followed on a paper read at the last meeting in London by Mr. David Joy, in recommendation of Howards' tubular boiler, Mr. E. Levington Fletcher, engineer to the Manchester Steam Users' Association, condemning the boiler as dangerous. He said his experience bound him to say that if employers regarded the lives of their workpeople they ought to keep free of these boilers. Mr. Adamson and Mr. Crampton also gave opinions adverse to the system. Mr. Joy, in reply, said that every important new invention might expect to meet severe criticism, but he had not expected wholesale denunciasevere criticism, but he had not expected wholesale denuncia-tion. His reply to what had been said was that the experience of the Messrs. Howard was entirely opposed to what Mr. Fletcher had said. Several works were visited.

The first paper read on Wednesday was by Mr. Lowthian Bell, M.P., on the Use of Caustic Lime in the Blast Furnace. His object was to show that the saving of fuel in the case of furnaces 48 feet high by the use of calcined lime was insignificant, and that in the case of 80-foot furnaces lime was insignificant, and that in the case of 80-foot furnaces no advantage whatever was obtained by a previous calcination of the limestone. Mr. Williams (Middlesbrough) supported Mr. Bell's opinions; but Mr. Brogden, M.P., challenged them, stating that in his own furnaces it was found that by the use of lime not only was the production greater, but there was also more regular work from the furnaces. In the discussion which followed opinion was very much divided, and Mr. Bell, in replying, pointed out that while there was an advantage in the use of calcined lime in low furnaces these furnaces were in reality very imperfect. Mr. William Hackney, Westminster, read a paper on the designing of moulds for steel rail ingots, which led to a discussion. In this Mr. Bessemer took part, and gave an interesting narrative of his experiences in the manufacture. Mr Charles Wood read a paper on Closed and gave an interesting narrative of his experiences in the manufacture. Mr Charles Wood read a paper on Closed Hearths for Blast Furnaces, a discussion upon which was followed by a description by Mr. Lowthian Bell of Price's patent retort furnaces, which, without the Siemens regenerative chamber, effected the same results as the regenerative system. By the use of the retort furnace at the Government works at Woolwich a saving had been—in some instances of puddling and reheating iron—effected in fuel consumption of as much as from 30 to 50 per cent. Mr. Homer read a paper on The Ironstones of the North Staffe Coal Mines, and predicted a great future for the iron trade there. Other papers were taken as read. were taken as read.

The Duke of Bedford has given £100 to the North Cambridge Cottage Hospital at Wisbech.

While Mr. Disraeli was returning to London from Bretby Park, the seat of the Countess of Chesterfield, on Wednesday, the train in which he was travelling ran into a locomotive. Fortunately the speed of the train was so slow that neither the right hon, gentleman nor any of his numerous fellow-travellers received injury.

#### MOUNTAINEERS OF RUSSIAN ASIA.

The two Illustrations of the habits and costumes of some of the Czar's subjects, in the wild border country that approaches the Caspian Sea, are copied from drawings by Mr. N. Karajin, the Caspian Sea, are copied from drawings by Mr. N. Karajin, of St. Petersburg. That country, however, contains its towns and cultivated districts. We may here quote a letter written by Mr. H. Churchill on his way to take up his position of British Consul at Resht, on the Caspian:—

"After passing Gangah (Elizabetopol) the road, which at night becomes unsafe on account of the marauding Tartars, leads to the foot of a mountain which we climb to get to Shamakha a town of considerable importance. The wine of

Shamakha, a town of considerable importance. The wine of Shamakha is well known in the Caucasus, and its silk crops render the place of much value to the Russian Government. It is thickly populated, the climate is excellent, and every article of consumption is cheap. Horses worth £30 in England may be had here for £8, and the country is alive with game of various descriptions—deer, buck, wild boar, hare, pheasant, partridge, wild fowl, cock, &c. It is one day's journey from Baku, which can be reached in ten days from Paris by way of

Astrakan.

"Baku (or Badku, the Mountain of Wind) is situated at the end of the range of mountains that separate the Circassian provinces from Russia, where that range drops into the Caspian Sea. It is an open port of rising importance. It now counts 18,000 inhabitants, but will attain a much larger population when the railway connects it with Tiflis. Its houses are well constructed, its streets are wide, its quay is neatly built, and two companies have steamers touching once a week. On the whole, eighteen steamers are affoat on the Caspian, which is a whole, eighten steamers are attent on the Caspian, which is a larger number than that on the Black Sea, besides small coasting craft which look exactly like the dhows of the Persian Gulf and the Indian Ocean. At a distance of about fourteen versts from Baku are situated the naphtha wells, which produce versts from Baku are situated the naphtha wells, which produce all the petroleum consumed in this part of the country and in Russia as far as the Volga extends. The road between Tiflis and Baku winds its way through vast plains, bounded on the north and south by huge mountains covered with deep snow. On the left rises the lofty mountain ridge of Daghistan, the former stronghold of Sheik Shamil; on the right are to be seen the mountains of Erivan and Karabagh, in Persia: The Caspian Sea from here looks menacing and rough, but it may be local, as Baku is noted for its high wind."

#### THE NEW OPERA HOUSE.

The first brick of the New National Opera House was laid The first brick of the New National Opera House was laid in its place on Tuesday by Mdlle. Titiens. The ceremony was a very quiet one, almost, it may be said, a private one. The lady descended by a stairway dressed with red cloth to that corner of the foundations which had been chosen for the honour, accompanied by Mr. Mapleson, Mr. Fowler, the architect, and some dozen gentlemen well-known as interested in music and all people and things musical, while about an equal number watched the proceedings from above. A handsome silver trowel, chased with gold, bearing an appropriate inscription, was then handed to Mdlle. Titiens, who went duly through all the necessary ceremonies of spreading the mortar. through all the necessary ceremonies of spreading the mortar, through all the necessary ceremonies of spreading the mortar, tapping the stone, and applying the plumb line. Mr. Fowler, Lord Alfred Paget, and Mr. Mapleson, also contributed a brick apiece, and the whole party then adjourned to the St. Stephen's Club for lunch and the usual making of speeches. Mr. Mapleson, replying to the toast of his health, said the new house would, he believed, be opened to the public next season. But though the ceremony itself was of so little importance, it marked the beginning of a great, and let us hone a

But though the ceremony itself was of so little importance, it marked the beginning of a great, and let us hope a successful, undertaking. It is intended that the house shall remain open throughout the year, and that, in addition to Italian opera, English works, sung by English singers, shall be produced. Dramatic performances are also to be considered; a training-school for music and for the ballet is to be established, and it is hoped that it may be found possible to bring the Academy of music there also.

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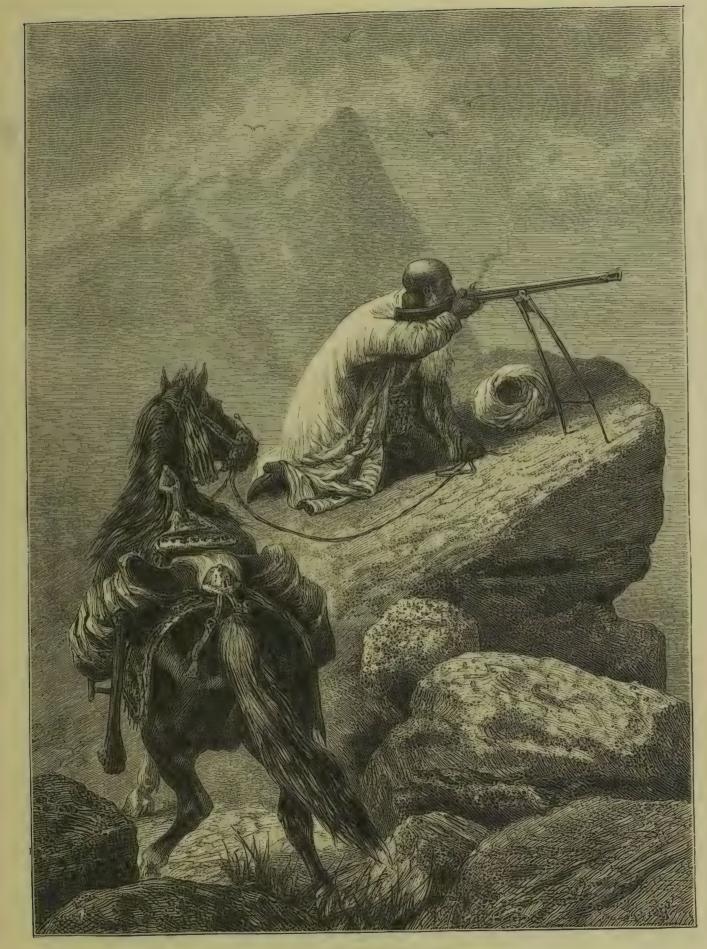
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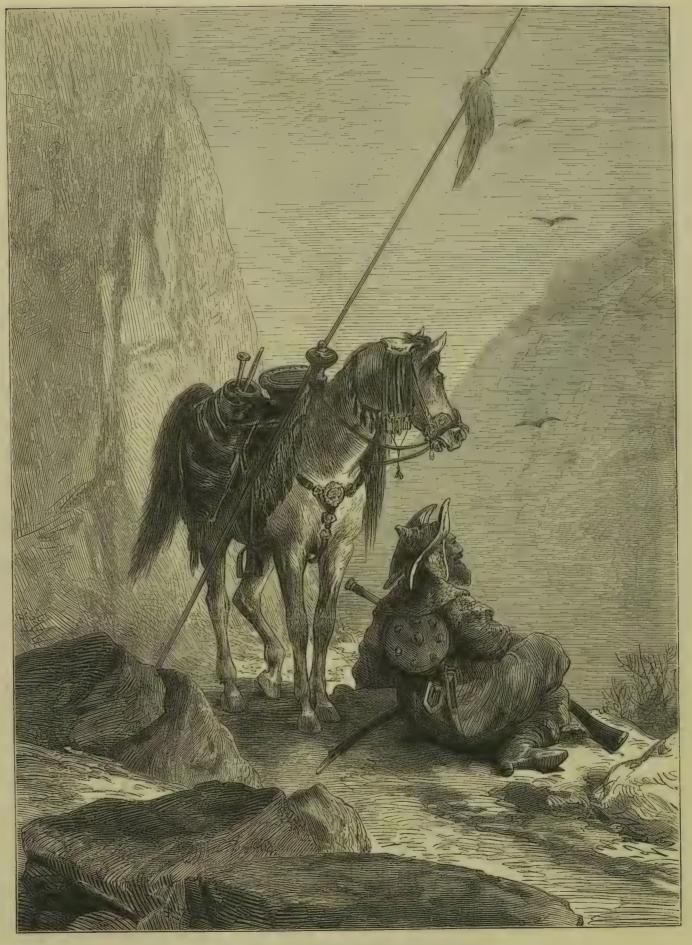
A house devoted to so many uses must needs be a big house, and, next to the San Carlo of Naples, this new house of Mr. Mapleson's will be the largest in Europe. Covering a little more than two acres of ground, it is built much upon the lines of La Scale at Milan, being in shape something after the fashion of an elongated horseshoe, which is the shape, according to no less an authority than Sir Michael Costa, best adapted for such buildings. It will stand in three stories of columns, thus allowing for considerable display of outline, no less than sculpture and ornament. The frontage on the Embankment—160 ft. in length—consists of a centre and two wings projecting from the front, as well as the lateral façades. The auditorium is surmounted by a cupola rising to a height of 146 ft., and will contain 500 stalls, a passage of three feet being left between each row. These stalls will be approached through a vestibule 110 ft. long, and numbered odd and even on the right and left sides of the house respectively, whereby egress and ingress will, it is hoped, be much facilitated. The approaches to the grand tier are by circular staircases in each of the wings, and the pit boxes will have their separate staircases. Particular attention has been paid to the important point of entrance and exit. In addition to the main entrance, the amphitheatre and gallery can be entered by a separate way under cover, but distinct from the principal part of the house, and exit from and gallery can be entered by a separate way under cover, but distinct from the principal part of the house, and exit from the stalls will be found in the roads which run along each side of the building. Facilities will also be given for an approach from the Westminster Bridge station of the District Railway. In making good the foundations it was found necessary to excavate as low as 40 ft. before the London clay could be reached, and the depth of the concrete on which Mdlle. Titiens has laid the first brick is 16 ft., the level of the stage itself being but 40 ft. above the foundation. About the decorations of the interior we are not in a position to say much, as the drawings of that part are not as yet in a very advanced state. The greatest attention, however, has been paid to the comfort, not only of the audience, but of the performers. To all the private boxes there will be outer rooms; and the arrangements of the stage and the dressing-rooms are understood to be very complete. Both without and within, our new opera-house promises to be a handsome building .- Times.

The inquiry into the death of Nathaniel Turner, the mate of the Mistletoe, was proceeding at the time our early edition was put to press. The wreck of the Mistletoe, which lies beached at Gosport, has been sold for £130.

At a meeting of the Dundee Town Council, last week, it was unanimously resolved to confer the freedom of the burgh on the Earl of Airlie, in recognition of his generous assistance to pro cure a new water supply for the town.

The fifth autumn exhibition of pictures, under the direction of the Corporation of Liverpool, was opened to the public on Monday. Each succeeding year the exhibition has been better than the preceding one. The list includes about 200 pictures from the Royal Academy, and several leading artists have contributed specially to the exhibition.





A DEFENDER OF THE ZAROVSCHANSKY MOUNTAINS.

A MOUNTAINEER OF RUSSIAN ASIA.



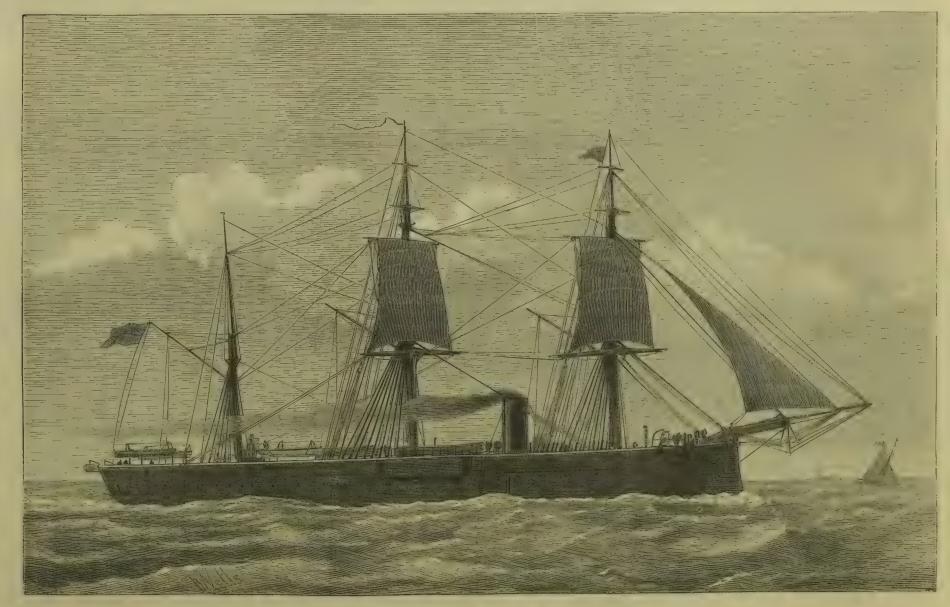


THE LATE LORD GRANTLEY.

The death of Sir E. Ryan, one of the oldest and most useful members of the Civil Service, was lately recorded. Sir Edward Ryan was born in 1793, and was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge. He was called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn in 1817, and, after pursuing the profession with great success for several years, was, in 1826, appointed Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Calcutta, and promoted in 1833 to the Chief Justiceship of that Presidency. He had received the honour of knighthood on his elevation to the Bench, and held the Chief Justiceship till January, 1843, when he resigned his appointment and returned to England. Immediately after his arrival he was sworn in a Privy Councillor, in order that

the country might have the benefit of his experience in Indian appeals to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. In 1846 he was appointed a Railway Commissioner, in conjunction with the late Lord Dalhousie; in 1851 he was appointed Assistant-Controller of the Exchequer, an office which he held till he resigned it in 1862. Sir E. Ryan was a member of the first Board of Civil Service Commissioners appointed by the Order in Council of May 21, 1855, the other members being Sir J. Lefevre and Mr. E. Romilly. The Commission was unpaid until April, 1862, when Sir E. Ryan, as First Commissioner, received salary. His unpaid colleagues at this time were Sir E. Head and Mr. Twistleton. Under Sir E. Ryan's

presidency the scope of the Commission was gradually enlarged from year to year, the mere test examination of nominees for civil appointments prescribed by the original Order in Council being succeeded by limited competition, as recommended by Lord Derby's Committee of 1860, and that being followed by open competition, as established by the Order in Council of June, 1870. In addition, the Commissioners have conducted since 1858 the examinations for the Civil Service of India and for some years past those for admission to the Army. During the whole of that time Sir Edward Ryan, assisted by successive colleagues, has been the leading member of the Commission. He was also Vice-Chancellor of the University of London.



H,M,S. VANGUARD SUNK OFF THE IRISH COAST,

#### LAW AND POLICE.

One hundred pounds damages were assessed in the Secondary's Court, on Wednesday (£1000 having been claimed), in an action for breach of promise that had been brought into the Court of Common Pleas, by Miss Fanny Maria Prince, a young lady of nineteen, the daughter of a master tailor, against Mr. Gillett, aged twenty-two, the son of a silk merchant. The parties had been engaged for two years, and the defendant broke his promise for no alleged reason, though it was pleaded in defence that he was too young to marry. in defence that he was too young to marry.

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Messrs. Collie's case was again considered at Guildhall on Monday, but as the defendant, Alexander Collie, has not yet been arrested, a further adjournment for six weeks was granted, Mr. William Collie being admitted to bail, himself in £4000, with two sureties of £2000 each.—The affairs of the firm were also before the Bankruptey Court, and a trustee, Mr. John Young, and a committee of inspectors were appointed. The first meeting for the proof of debts was held on Monday before Mr. Registrar Pepys. Debts to the amount of over a million and a quarter were tendered and admitted. The statement of affairs shows total unsecured liabilities £1,890,922 against assets £729,325. Among the items are liabilities on bills discounted £2,666,202, of which £480,849 is expected to rank against the estate. It has been decided by Mr. Registrar Pepys that the Court of Bankruptcy has no jurisdiction to continue an injunction to stay proceedings taken by a creditor of Messrs. Collie, who had attached, in the Supreme Court of New York, large sums due to that firm by the American Government. Government.

A charge of embezzlement was preferred at the Mansion House, yesterday week, against Christopher Bainton and Thomas Fell, confidentially employed in the office of Messrs. Ripley and Co., tea-brokers, in Mincing-lane. The accused had been arrested on a warrant, after absconding. In a letter which they jointly wrote to the prosecutors they stated the amount of their defalcations at a little over £4000, and declared they had lost every pound by speculation, and were absolutely penniless. They were remanded.

Patrick Wood, a financial agent, was finally examined at the Mansion House, on Wednesday, on the charge of having defrauded Mr. W. Page of £125 by obtaining the money on a bill of sale, under the representation that he did not owe £50, when in fact his debts amounted to about £5000. The defendant was committed for trial.

After hearing some further evidence respecting the charge of forgery and perjury against Mr. J. R. Byrne, a shipowner, Mr. Alderman Figgins, on Wednesday, did not think that he would be justified in sending the case for trial, and accordingly discharged the defendant.

The Coroner's inquiry into the death of Mary Ann Hudson, who is supposed to have died from poison alleged to have been administered by Walter Thompson Hunt, was brought to a conclusion on Wednesday, the jury returning a verdict of manslaughter against the accused.

George Thomas Wilkinson has been committed for trial on three charges of obtaining money by means of false pretences. According to the evidence the accused had been in the habit of passing himself off as a prison official and inducing people to give him money to provide nourishing food for relatives of theirs, on the ground that they were ill in prison and much needed it.

William Sadler, shipbroker, Richard S. Rice, army officer, with and James Barrow, "gentleman," were charged yesterday week, at Bow-street, with having, on Thursday night, assaulted the police and created a disturbance at the Promenade Concert, Covent Garden Theatre. The defendants were committed for trial, bail in £40 being taken for each.

For stealing a quart pot from a public-house the Marylebone magistrate has sentenced a woman to a month's imprisonment, with hard labour.

Danicl and Elizabeth Donovan, who were remanded on a charge of being concerned in stealing a large quantity of property from a house in New Wandsworth, and at whose lodgings were found a collection of skeleton keys, picklocks, and jemmies, and a suspicious bag that could be used as an apron, were brought before the Wandsworth magistrate last Saturday. Another charge of house robbery to the extent of £100 was brought against them, and they were committed.

Frank Bailey, said to be respectably connected, has been committed for trial by the Lambeth magistrate on a charge of systematic housebreaking. It appeared that the accused had, on several occasions, broken into the counting-house of Mr. Robertson, in whose service he had once been, and stolen various sums, amounting altogether to over £100.

During the hearing of a case at Hammersmith on Tuesday, in which a man and a woman were charged with an assault at some festivities following an Irish wedding, a female witness for the defence said that she did not know what book it was that she was being sworn upon, and that she understood an eath to mean that if she swore falsely she would suffer twenty-four hours in purgatory. The prisoners were remanded, in order that this witness should be instructed as to the nature of an oath.

A charge of systematic shoplifting was proved at the Greenwich Police Court against a young woman known as Charlotte Massey, alias Jones, alias Reynolds, who was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

Fines of £20 and £5 were, at the Thames Police Court, on Wednesday, inflicted upon the captain of a vessel for neglecting to provide his crew with a proper supply of lime juice during a voyage from Lagos to London and for not entering in an cflicial log the fact that two of his seamen had been ill.

Charles Scott, a ticket-of-leave man. tenced to ten years' penal servitude, was brought, last Saturday, before the Thames Police Court on charges of burglary and robbery, and committed for trial. It was shown that he broke into a house at Bow and stole a quantity of wearing apparel and bills to the value of £290.

At the Middlesex Sessions, on Monday, for stealing three pints of whisky from the St. Pancras station of the Midland Railway, Frederick Webb, a clerk on that line, was sentenced to four months' hard labour; and for a robbery from the Great Eastern Company Abraham Polley was condemned to fifteen months' of the same punishment. In hearing a charge of their against a boy of cleven, whose father wished to get him into a reformatory, Mr. Serjeant Cox directed an acquittal, and ordered the prisoner to be sent to a police court as a child not properly taken care of, with a view to his being placed in an industrial school.—Mary Ann Dolby, who had been convicted last month of having stabbed her husband, with whom she had quarreled, on being again brought up, on Tuesday, was sentenced to fifteen months' hard labour, and bound over in heavy securities to keep the peace for a year afterwards. At the Middlesex Sessions, on Monday, for stealing three in heavy securities to keep the peace for a year afterwards. On Wednesday a young German was sentenced to six months' hard labour for a violent assault on a watchmaker's assistant, from whom he endeavoured to steal three watches.

Among the prisoners tried at the Surrey Sessions, on Monday, was Richard Huntley, a policeman, who for a violent assault, while drunk, on another constable was sentenced to six months' hard labour. Two charges of fraud were tried on Tucsday. In one case Bernard Wardelman, architect, was sentenced to two months' hard labour for having obtained various sums by cheques on a bank with which he had no account. Alfred Grave, who is stated to be seventy-seven years of age, and to have been secretary to the Chertsey Bank for thirty years, was convicted on an indictment charging him with having embezzled the sum of £60, though his total with having embezzled the sum of £60, though his total defalcations were found to amount to £2789. He was sendeflications were found to amount to £2789. He was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, with such hard labour as he could do. Sentence of five years' penal servitude was on Wednesday passed upon Edwin Coulson, a bricklayer, for violently assaulting a woman; and John Cogger, late secretary to a lodge of Comical Fellows, was condemned to twelve months' imprisonment for embezzling the funds of that society.

The mistaken good nature which is liberal of testimonials to character and capacity where they are not deserved was curiously exemplified in a case which came before the Brentford Petty Sessions on Saturday. A lady applied to another lady as to the character and capabilities of a woman who was seeking for a situation as cook. The lady applied to sent in writing an elaborate statement to the effect that the person in prestice hed lived with here a cock and hereely even for true writing an elaborate statement to the effect that the person in question had lived with her as cook and housekeeper for two years, and had proved herself well fitted for the situation. The peculiar virtues and skill of the supposed cook were rather circumstantially described; and it was added that the writer would not have parted with this domestic treasure but that she was returning to India. It turned out that the lady who wrote in this style never had employed any such person as cook, and never knew her in the capacity of a cook or servant of any kind. She had known the woman at one time when the latter was in better circumstances, and lately, finding that she was in want and seeking for a situation, was willing to do her a kindly turn. The incorrect letter-writer was fined £5. was fined £5.

Charles Smyth was brought up on remand at Lynn Petty Charles Smyth was brought up on temand at Lynn Petty Sessions, on Monday, charged with obtaining £18 15s. by means of false pretences, the property of Mr. W. Bath, coachbuilder, Lynn, on July 28, 1874. On the day in question the prisoner went to Mr. Bath and represented himself as Mr. E. Youell, of the firm of Lacon and Youell, bankers, Yarmouth, and bought a carriage, value 25 gs. He tendered a cheque, signed Edward Youell, for £45, and received a balance of £18 15s. A day or two after this the cheque was found to be a forged one, and information was given to the police. Superintendent G. Ware information was given to the police. Superintendent G. Ware immediately issued notices describing the man and his mode of operation, but he managed to escape detection. On Aug. 18 he went to Norwich and obtained £26 4s. from two tradesmen by the same means, passing as Mr. H. Lacon, of the firm of Lacon and Youell. He next visited Yarmouth as Mr. J. G. Buxton, and obtained £40 from another coachbuilder. At Lowestoft the same day he defrauded Mr. Cooper, cabinetmaker, of £30. He was next heard of in April this year at Cambridge, where he obtained £26 from a pianoforte-dealer. On June 21 he went to Oxford, and, representing himself as a clergyman, got £25 from another pianoforte-dealer. He next visited Colchester and Ipswich, where he practised the same trick. He was next seen at Windsor as the Rev. H. G. Gill, Vicar of Warfield, and another musicseller lost £23. On information was given to the police. Superintendent G. Ware Vicar of Warfield, and another musicseller lost £23. On Aug. 17 he was at Bedford as the Rev. A. Hawkes, and obtained £24 from Mr. Freston, coachbuilder. He then went to Peterborough as the Rev. W. W. Woolcombe, of Wooton, Northamptonshire; but here the police secured him before he had done any business, and he was handed over to the Lynn police. Upon him were found a number of cheques and two letters written by himself, purporting to come from his uncle, authorising him to make certain purchases. Since he has been in custody he has written a letter to his brother admitting his guilt. He was remanded.

A cattle-drover was fined £38 and costs at Carlisle, on Monday, for sending twelve cattle by railway from Fleetwood to Carlisle while suffering from foot-and-mouth disease; and Thomas Askew, farmer, Rhimington, near Lancaster, was on Wednesday fined £5, and £3 9s. costs, for failing to give due notice of the prevalence of pleuro-pneumonia on his farm.

A serious affray took place yesterday week at Pottle Pool, near Cannock, on the estate of Lord Hatherton, between five poachers and three keepers. The poachers had set their nets and were driving in the rabbits when discovered. One keeper caught two of the men, a ficroe fight took place, and the keeper was rendered senseless, with a large wound on his head. All the poachers have been captured. the poachers have been captured.

William Baker and Edward Cooper, who had each been condemned to death for the murder of a man by shooting him, the one at Liverpool and the other on the high seas, were hanged within the walls of Kirkdale Gaol on Monday morning.

Barnet Fair was held last Saturday, and was attended by a large number of persons. Between 3000 and 4000 head of cattle were exposed for sale, and a good business was done.

Lieutenant-Colonel North, M.P., and Baroness North have presented to the corporation of Banbury an ancient mace, iormerly its property, which had become an heirloom in the North tamily. The mace dates from the time of Charles I.

Respecting the deaths of Mrs. Greig and her infant daughter, whose bodies were found in the Thames near Twickenham, an inquest has been held by Dr. Diplock. Evidence showed that Mrs. Greig had been in the habit of taking the child to the waterside to quiet it, and that she might have fallen into the river. The verdict was that deceased were accidentally drowned.

At a meeting of the Royal Arch Freemasons at Swindon, yesterday week, Lord Methuen was installed as M.E.Z.O. of the Royal Sussex Chapter of Emulation, No. 355, and Lord H. Thynne, M.P., as the Provincial Grand Superintendent of Wilts.—Mr. Little, the secretary of the Freemasons' Girls' School, speaking at a Masonic dinner at Halliford, recognised the necessity of an extension of the benefits of the Masonic institutions as the craft increased in numbers. Already, he said, it was in contemplation to enlarge the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls.

Lord Bateman has issued a circular, through his steward, Lord Bateman has issued a circular, through his steward, to the tenants on his Herefordshire estates, in reply to remonstrances which had been forwarded to his Lordship on the destruction by rabbits of farm produce. His Lordship gives the tenants the privilege of destroying rabbits on their farms on certain conditions—1, that snarcs, nets, digging, and ferreting only should be used in their destruction; 2, that the names of the persons authorised by the tenants should be sent to the steward; 3, that each tenant confines himself to his own farm, and that they take care to preserve the game. This permission is to be in force for two years, and the use of guns and traps to be confined to his Lordship's keepers. The tenants to keep the rabbits destroyed by them. to keep the rabbits destroyed by them.

#### WORK AND WAGES.

At a great meeting of miners at Wrexham, yesterday week, Mr. Macdonald, M.P., proposed a resolution in favour of arbitration, and urged the men, when conciliation boards were formed, to loyally accept the decision arrived at, whether they approved of it or not. If it was opposed to their views they should wait an opportunity to reconsider the question.

The men employed in the Oakfield Colliery, Mold, met, on Tuesday, to consider an offer from their employers that they should return to work at a reduction of  $7\frac{1}{2}$  per cent, pending an arbitration. They decided absolutely to refuse either reduction or arbitration.

Although the strike in Warwickshire has been ended by the resolution of the coal-miners to submit the points in dispute to arbitration, large numbers of the colliers continue unemployed, as many of the pits are drowned out and others require repair. Messrs. W. Crawford and D. Moulson, the secretary and treasurer of the newly-formed National Union, have been unanimously appointed arbitrators on behalf of have been unanimously appointed arbitrators on behalf of

Some time ago the North Staffordshire miners received notice of a 10-per-cent reduction in wages, and the question was referred to arbitration. The arbitrators have awarded a reduction of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent more than the masters proposed.

A meeting of the central board of the National Miners' Union A meeting of the central board of the National Miners' Union was held in Manchester, on Tuesday, under the presidency of Mr. Macdonald, M.P. It was resolved to recommend the members of each district connected with the union to apply to the clerk and chairman of the quarter sessions for the county in which their district might be situated for the appointment of a gentleman to inspect the weights and measures at collieries at least once in six months. Mr. Halliday spoke on the subject of cooperation; and the chairman maintained that certain statements which he had recently made in regard to the strike in South Wales, and for which he had been called to account in certain quarters, were justified by the facts.

An adjourned meeting of the South Yorkshire and North

An adjourned meeting of the South Yorkshire and North Derbyshire Coalowners' Association was held at Sheffield, on Monday, to consider what steps should be taken for enforcing the proposal to reduce the whole of the miners' wages by ten per cent, the men having declined to accede to any reduction at present, or for a period of three months. After a long deliberation it was resolved to let the matter stand over indefinitely

The thirteenth anniversary gathering of miners took place at Wigan on Monday, and several thousands were present. The meeting was addressed by Mr. Alexander Macdonald, M.P., president of the Miners' National Union; Mr. William Pickard, the vice-president; and Mr. Lloyd Jones. Resolutions were passed in favour of union and co-operation.

The Oldham strike, after lasting six weeks, has terminated. An amicable agreement having been arrived at, the cotton operatives resumed work on Monday. The total amount distributed during the strike was nearly £100,000; yet it is stated that, if necessary, the men who have been on strike could have been supported six weeks longer without a levy.

The strike of the Dundee mill-workers has ended in their returning to work at 5 per cent reduction.

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The Royal Commission engaged in investigating the operation of the Factories and Workshops Acts met at Glasgow, under the presidency of Sir James Fergusson, on Tuesday, when a deputation presented a memorial from the Drapers' Early Closing Association, representing the necessity of legislative enactments to meet the evils of bad sanitary arrangements in work-rooms, and late hours of labour, especially for women and hove.

Two hundred journeymen plumbers of Bradford have turned out on strike in consequence of the refusal of the masters to accede to a demand for an increase of wages from thirty to thirty-three shillings, a reduction of hours from fifty-two to forty-nine and a half, and a payment of nine shillings a week lodging money for country jobs. The masters agreed to the reduction of hours, but refused increase of wages, and could give only four shillings a week lodging money.

#### THE CONGRESS ON INTERNATIONAL LAW.

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The congress of members of the Association for the Reform and Codification of the Law of Nations met again, at the Hague, yesterday week. The motion of Mr. Henry Richard, M.P., expressing satisfaction at the sanction given by the legislative bedies of some countries to the principle of arbitration in adjusting international difficulties, and hoping that the example would be followed by the Legislatures of other countries, was adopted unanimously. After a warm discussion M. Couvreur's motion, expressing a wish that the Emperor of Russia should resume the work of the Paris Congress by opening negotiations for a second conference at St. Petersburg for the alleviation of the sufferings attendant on war, was rejected by \$0 to 27 votes. by 30 to 27 votes.

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A resolution was passed, on Saturday, to the effect that the congress considers it a duty of the Governments, in the interests of humanity and civilisation, to enter upon negotiations for the purpose of a mutual reduction of armaments. A committee has been appointed to inform the various Governments of the above resolution. A motion, brought forward by Senor Amos, was also passed expressing a wish that the European Governments should open negotiations to give a practical character to the Paris declaration of the Treaty of 1856, relating to the question of submitting international disputes to arbitration previous to a declaration of war. The congress has appointed a committee to draw up the fundamental principles for an international maritime code. The congress closed its sittings on Saturday. Saturday.

Lord Penzance has been elected president; Mr. Laboulaye, honorary president; and Mr. Dudley Field and Count Sclopis, vice-presidents of the congress in 1876.

The portrait of Captain Webb, given last week, was from a photograph by Fradelle and Marshall, of Regent-street.

The portrait of the late Sir Edward Ryan, which we have engraved, is from a photograph by Mr. Bassano, of Piccadilly; that of the late Commodore Goodenough, R.N., from one by Mr. H. Lenthall, of Regent-street.

Mr. Albert Bruce Joy, who, as we stated last week, gained the first prize in the open competition for the model of a statue to be raised at Birkenhead in honour of the late Mr. John Laird, M.P., has received the order for the statue itself.

The centenary of Dr. John Leyden was celebrated, last Saturday, at Denholm, his native village, under the auspices of the Border Counties Association. At two o'clock some thousands of persons assembled in the streets, which were gaily decorated, as was the house in which Leyden was born. A banquetwas held, at which Lord Neaves presided, and addresses were delivered by gentlemen from Glasgow, Edinburgh, and other places. In the evening the village was illuminated.

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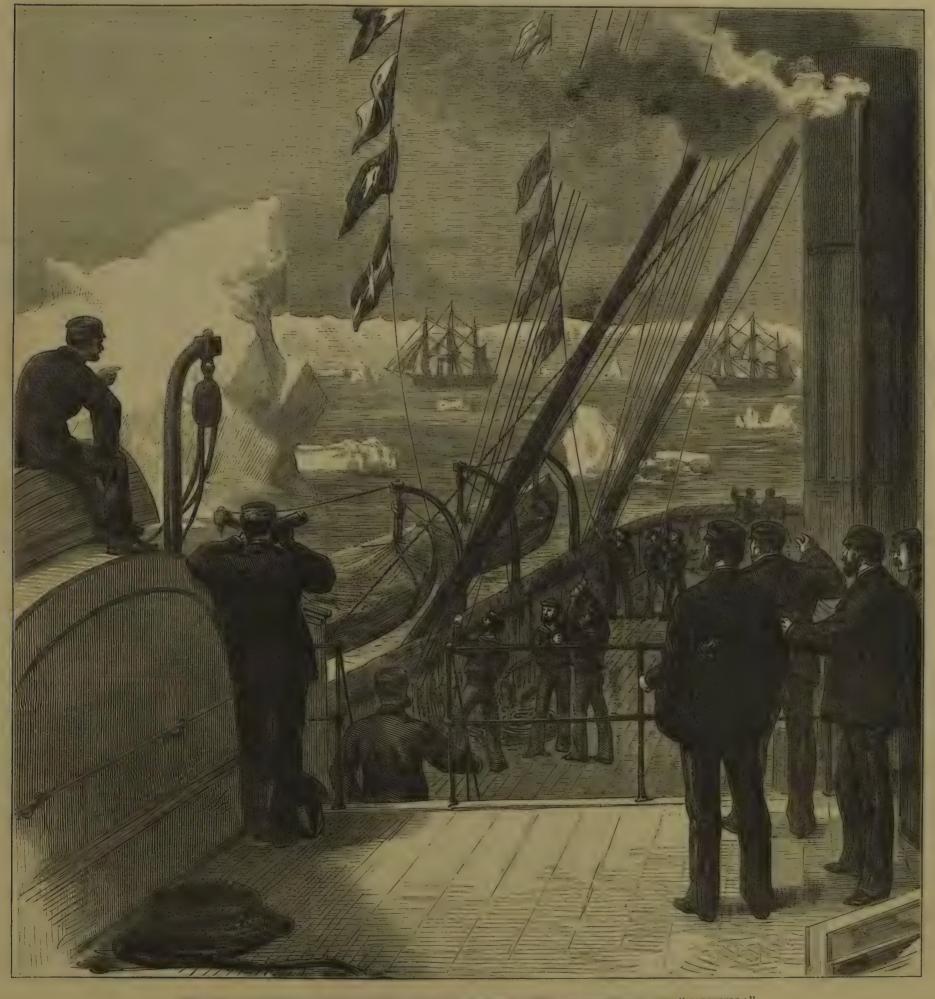
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THE ARCTIC EXPEDITION: THE VALOROUS PARTING FROM THE ALERT AND DISCOVERY—THE "FAREWELL!"

#### THE ARCTIC EXPEDITION.

The arrival at Plymouth, last week, of H.M.S. Valorous, returned from Disco, near the entrance to Baffin's Bay, having so far accompanied the northward voyage of H.M.S. Alert and H.M.S. Discovery to the Polar Sea, has revived popular interest concerning the Arctic Expedition. We gave the despatchesof Captain Narcs and Captain Stephenson in our last. The sketches we have engraved are those furnished by an officer of the Valorous, with the addition of others, by different hands, representing the scenes and incidents of Arctic navigation. The first of the following letters, giving an account of the entire voyage to Disco and back, is from a correspondent of the Daily Naus on board the Valorous, writing immediately upon her reaching home at Plymouth, on Sunday week:—

"We arrived here this afternoon with the latest accounts of the Arctic Expedition, having been exactly three weeks out from Holsteinborg, the capital of South Greenland, where we put in for ballast. We have had fine weather nearly all the way home, and have done a good deal of deep-sea dredging and sounding, which were brought rather prematurely to an end by a heavy westerly gale in the beginning and middle of the past week. We parted company from the Arctic ships on Saturday, July 17. All the members of the expedition were in good health, and very hopeful as to their ultimate success.

"Ihe Valorous, having received fitty tons of coal at Queenstown, left that port on the afternoon of Tuesday, June 1, and reached Bantry Bay early next morning, where we lay to off Bear Island, and sent a boat in to Berchaven to look for the Arctic ships, which came out about noon, followed by the lighthouse steamer, which soon left us, and we then began our northward cruise.

"For the next day or two we had calm weather or light The arrival at Plymouth, last week, of H.M.S. Valorous, re-

lighthouse steamer, which soon left us, and we then began our northward cruise.

"For the next day or two we had calm weather or light head winds, and on the 16th we lost sight of the Arctic ships, which had been gradually running away from us, after signalling that we were to rendezvous at Disco on July I. We sighted them again on the 8th, but after the 10th we saw no more of them for some time, being met by a strong northwesterly breeze, which fell as rapidly as it arose, only to be succeeded by a very heavy gale from the same quarter on Sunday, the 13th, in which each of the Arctic ships, as we afterwards heard, knocked about very much. The Alert had a bont badly injured, while the Discovery lost one altogether. The Valorous, however, proved herself a capital sea boat, and behaved remarkably well. For the next few days we had calm weather, with light northerly winds, after which, on the 19th and 20th, we were considerably delayed by another gale from the old quarter—north-west. This was followed by calm weather and light fair winds, so that we were enabled to make some progress towards our destination, and on the morning of the 26th we rounded Cape Farewell, though at about one hundred miles' distance. We did not venture to go near it on account of the great quantity of ice which collects round it, and is stated frequently to extend 150 miles to seaward. Our first iceberg was seen during the night of the 27th, ani next morning we sighted the Alert between us and the land, and learned from her that, like ourselves, she had not seen the Discovery since the gale of the 13th inst. About two miles distant from us was a great quantity of loose ice, which appeared to extend castwards as far as the land. Much of this ice is said to come down the cast coast of Greenland to Cape Farewell from the vicinity of Spitzbergen, and then to be carried up some way into Davies Strait by a northerly current. During the afternoon we steamed through a good deal of this loose ice. Some of the pieces were of considerable size, and d 'For the next day or two we had calm weather or light

deep valleys, doubtless scooped out by glaciers which ran, and in some cases still run, down into the sea, to be the parents of some of the numerous icebergs which we saw all around us.

"We passed the Whale Fish Islands about seven o'clock, and as we neared the land saw a boat coming out to meet us with the Danish colours flying. It soon came alongside, and three gentlemen came on board; they were Herr Schmidt, Inspector of the District of North-West Greenland, and Messrs. L. Elberg and E. Feucker, the late and present chief traders at the colony of Godhaven or Lievly. Their pilot took us into the small harbour, which is quite invisible from the sea, and cannot well hold more than three ships. We proved to be the first ecomers, neither the Alert nor the Discovery having yet appeared, and about nine o'clock we dropped anchor, after a

first cemers, neither the Alert nor the Discovery having yet appeared, and about nine o'clock we dropped anchor, after a five weeks' voyage from England.

"During the greater part of this time we had used the townet whenever the weather permitted, and had obtained a considerable number of very interesting specimens of the surface life of the North Atlantic Ocean. These were chiefly crustacee of various species; but we also got some small fish and one or two specimens of the rare and beautiful little pteropod, Clione publishered.

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"Perhaps the two most remarkable forms which we obtained in this way were the small cuttle-fish, Leachia ellipsoptera, which was first found by Sir Edward Belcher in the North Pacific, and was subsequently obtained by the Percupine off Reckall in 1869, and a curious floating sponge, in the meshes of which were entangled the well-known little Foraminifera globigerina, the shells of which occur in such great abundance all over the bed of the North Atlantic Ocean. They also contribute very largely to the formation of our thick beds of chalk, which are nearly wholly made up of vast numbers of the shells of these and closely-allied up hall they are not large alone in Goddanger Markoux. Early in

hers of the shells of these and closely-allied animals.

"We were not long alone in Godhaven Harbour. Early in the morning of the second day after our arrival the Arctic ships were sighted in the offing, and the Alert came in about noon, followed in a couple of hours by the Discovery. The Alert came and lay close alongside us at once, in order to facilitate the transfer of the stores which we had brought out for her—an operation which was finished on the evening of the next day, after which the same process was repeated with the Discovery. During our stay here the naturalists of the three thips were employed collecting botanical and geological specimens on shore, and dredging in and outside the harbour. A very large number of plants were found, some believed to have been previously unknown in this part of Greenland. Many of them occur in the Alps, and others in the higher parts of the English lake country; in fact, according to Dr. Hooker, the continent of Greenland, in spite of its being so favourably situated for harbouring an Arctic-American vegetation, presents an almost absolute identity of botanical features with those of an almost absolute identity of botanical features with those of Europe. The rocks on the shore at Godhaven consist entirely of gnicss, but above this are cliffs rising to a height of over 2000 ft., and formed entirely of thick horizontal beds of basalt

varying more or less in composition, and often separated from one another by thin layers of red basaltic clay. In the opinion of Professor Nordenskield these beds have never been true one another by thin layers of red basaltic clay. In the opinion of Professor Nordenskiold these beds have never been true lava-flows, but are for the most part sedimentary beds of volcanic ashes and volcanic sand, which, in the course of thousands of years, have become hard and assumed a crystalline structure. In other localities in Disco Island beds of sand and clay containing tertiary fossils occur intercalated among these beds of basalt; and it follows from this that the volcanic eruptions which gave rise to the latter took place subsequently to the commencement of the cretaceous and ceased before the commencement of the tertiary period. The lower beds of this vast series, which probably extends completely across Greenland north of the sixty-ninth degree of latitude, may have been formed by volcanic cruptions taking place at about the same time that the English chalk was being deposited on the bed of the North Atlantic Ocean; although it is more probable that the whole of the Greenland basaltic series is of tertiary age, while the upper beds are probably of approximately the same geological age as the columnar basalt of Fingal's Cave and the Giant's Causeway. For the investigation of the marine zoology of Godhaven, one of the two cutters of the Valorous was cmployed. Within the harbour, at depths of from 5-20 fms., many different forms of animal life were found—shells, star-fishes and sea-urchins occurred in great numbers, while every now and then we obtained a specimen of the curious sea-cucumber, or trepang, a near relation of which is esteemed as a great delicacy by the Chinese. Besides these, we got some large crals and several smaller crustacea. On one occasion we went outside the harbour and dredged in eighty fathoms, but did not find much beyond small quantities of forms we had already obtained in great numbers. One day of our stay at Godhaven of Professor not find much beyond small quantities of forms we had already obtained in great numbers. One day of our stay at Godhaven was devoted to an excursion to Ovifak, or the Blue Mountain, a place on the south-west coast of Disco Island, where fessor Nordenskiold found a number of meteoric stones, which were subsequently removed by the Swedish Government, which presented one to the British Museum. Our curiosity was much excited about this place by the statement of a native to Herr Inspector Schmidt that about thirteen months ago, as here Herr Inspector Schmidt that about thirteen months ago, as he was passing the Blue Hill, he saw two stones similar to those removed by the Swedes, which he supposed had fallen from the cliff above; but unfortunately, although the locality was carefully examined independently by parties from the Alert and from the Valorous, no trace of these stones could be found, and we could only conclude that, supposing the Greenlander's statement to be true, the stones which he described must have been removed during the winter by the combined action of the waves and shore ice, the erosive effects of which upon this exposed coast must be enormous.

"Besides all the stores we brought out specially for them,

"Besides all the stores we brought out specially for them, the Arctic ships took 5000 pounds of our own stock of biscuit and 108 tons of coal, so that we found our draught of water to be considerably less than when we left Portsmouth, and were therefore obliged to take in a large quantity of ballast before leaving Goohaven, where we had all experienced great kindness from the three Danish officials above mentioned. During theten rem the three Danish officials above mentioned. During theten days we were there, the photographers of the two Arctic ships took several very successful photographs, both of the cluff scenery and of the Greenlanders, very few, if any, of whom are true Esquimaux, most of them having some Danish blood in their veins. There are not more than about one hundred of them in this colony, which is the capital of North-West Greenland. The style or the native houses varies very much. Some of them are well built of turf and board, and divided into two or more rooms, with glass windows; while others are low erections of turf alone, to get into which you have to crawl through a long tunnel on your hands and knees, while the window is replaced by a rough hole, across which is stretched a piece of the serous membrane of the whale. Of course the place swarms with dogs, and twenty-four of the best ones were taken on board the Alert an hour or two before we sailed. They were tied up in various places on deck, and occupied themselves for some time in uttering a series of painful howls.

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"At five o'clock on the afternoon of Thursday, July 15, we "At five o'clock on the atternoon of Thursday, July 15, we bade good-by to Godhaven. The Alert led the way with the Discovery in tow, while behind the latter was the small boat of Herr Inspector Schmidt, who accompanied us to Ritenbank, another Danish settlement at the southern entrance of the Waigat Strait, where the Discovery was to receive the first instalment of her dogs. The Valorous brought up the rear of the little squadron, and replied with her two twelve-pounders to a solute of twenty-one guns from the small buttery on a salute of twenty-one guns from the small battery on

"We arrived at Ritenbenk a little before noon on the following day, and anchored in a little harbour known as Washing Bay. The settlement is very similar to that at Godhaven, although somewhat smaller; but it is said to be rapidly growing in importance. Here our intercourse with the Arctic ships came to an end. Besides taking a quantity of our stores, they requisitioned two of our boats to replace those which they lost in the gale of June 13. The Alert has got our whaler and the Discovery the jolly-boat, both to be left at the dépôts with provisions and coal. The Discovery has also taken one of our scamen; while we take home Mr. Cloments Markham, who has been Captain Nares's guest, and Mr. Whiddon, the paymaster of the Alert, for whom there is not sufficient accommodation. At four o'clock on the following morning the Valorous left Rijenbenk alone, the Arctic ships staying two hours longer to enable the Discovery to take in her twenty dogs. Herr Inspector Schmidt most kindly accompanied us to show us a place where we could replenish our stock of coal. We steamed slowly up the Waigat Strait, which runs between Disco Island and the mainland of Greenland; and, after passing through "We arrived at Ritenbenk a little before noon on the foland the mainland of Greenland; and, after passing through a great quantity of floating ice, anchored, soon after midday, abreast of the coal-cliffs at kitenbenk Kulrud—a place on the cast coast of Disco Island, where the Fox and other Arctic ships have obtained coal. The coal-bearing series forms low cliffs.from 30 ft. to 50 ft. high, in which thin seams of coal-none much more than a foot thick—occur, intercalated among beds of white sandstone and black argillacous shale, which latter contain very few fossils, and these but badly preserved latter contain very few fossils, and these but badly preserved; so that it is difficult to determine the exact geological age of these beds. The whole of the before-mentioned basalt formation lies above them, and the few not clearly determinable vegetable remains which they do contain seem to indicate that they are of upper cretaceous age; so that these coal-seams and the English chalk may perhaps have been formed at approximately the same time in ages now long past.

"The coal is black and glistening, but very light—that is, of small specific gravity; it gives about two-thirds the amount of heat as the same weight of our English coal. We spent four days here, and succeeded in obtaining 105 tons of this coal, which helped us very much on our voyage home. One after-

days here, and succeeded in obtaining 105 tons of this coal, which helped us very much on our voyage home. One afternoon of our stay was devoted to dredging in from lifteen to twenty-five fathoms, and we found the marine fauna, particularly the shells, to be somewhat different from that of the neighbourhood of Godhaven. During our stay here a large number of icebergs passed up the strait, to be discharged from its northern entrance into Baffin's Bay. Fortunately for us, the wind for the greater part of the time was blowing off shore, so that our side of the strait was tolerably free from them, while they collected in great numbers on the Greenland side; but they collected in great numbers on the Greenland side; but

once or twice a large one came unpleasantly near us, and we had to weigh anchor and shift our berth so as to get clear of it.

"Soon after we anchored off the coal cliffs, on the afternoon of the 17th, we saw the Alert and Discovery running up the other side of the strait with a fair wind. We had been in hopes that they would have come and spent the following Sunday with us, but they gave no signs of altering their course, and so we could not do more than signal to them our best wishes for their success; and this was the last we saw of the Arctic Expedition of 1875.

"We ourselves weighed anchor, and began our homeward.

"We ourselves weighed anchor, and began our homeward cruise at midnight of Wednesday, the 22nd, and had a glorious view of the magnificent cliffs on each side of the Waigat, as the sun rose from behind the hills in an almost cloudless."

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The following is a letter sent to a private friend by one of the members of the expedition:—

"We left Bantry Bay on Wednesday, June 2, about cleven a.m. The Valorous was waiting for us just outside, and, having joined her, we all proceeded together under sail, the wind, what there was of it, being fair. By the morning it was quite calm, so steam was got up, but soon after, a breeze springing up again, we made sail. The poor old Valorous could hardly keep up with us, even by using steam (slow speed) in addition to her sail. We had to keep under such casy sail that we rolled a great deal more than there was any need for. At last, on the evening of Saturday, the 5th, the Valorous was informed by signal that for the present we would relieve ourselves of her company, but that she was to be at Disco by July 1. We accordingly ran on and soon lost sight of her. However, we saw her again in the distance for one or two days after, as the winds were light and variable, and she used steam. By Wednesday, the 9th, we had reduced the distance to Cape Farewell from 1250 miles, which is, I think, about the distance from Bantry Bay, to 800 miles, but on Wednesday a foul wind set in after our first strong one; and by Saturday, the 12th, we had brought the distance up to 832 miles, having been driven to the southward. On Sanday, at noon, we were 778 miles off, having made on our course twenty-two miles in four days. There was too much wind and sea all that time for us to use steam, let alone the waste of coal. On Sunday, the 13th, our first real gale commenced, at about one a.m. The wind came from the westward, blowing pretty fresh up till seven a.m., when it very suddenly increased, and continued doing so until about eleven p.m., when it blew its hardest. There was a very rapid fall of the barometer as we stood to the northward, the fall increasing in rapidity as we approached the centre of the storm; for, by the rapidly falling barometer, the confused state of the sea, the heavy and violent squalls, and other signs, we knew we barometer, the confused state of the sea, the heavy and violent squalls, and other signs, we knew we were in a circular storm. This warned us to get on the other tack, as it is not desirable to get into the centre of a circular storm. So at about 10.30 p.m. we wore; the wind shifted suddenly as we did so about five points. We now stood away to the westward. The barometere ammenced rising almost immediately; but the wind did not go down much till Tuesday morning, and by the evening it was calm from the 13th to the 27th we had a succession of hard head winds, with short intervals of ealm, during which intervals we steamed. The ship was pretty wet, taking in a great deal of water, of which, to our great disgust, a large amount found its way below. On the 27th we came on our first ice, a heavy pack, along which we skirted, sometimes getting into it, until its way below. On the 27th we came on our first ice, a heavy pack, along which we skirted, sometimes getting into it, until July 1, on which day we saw the last of the floe and pack ice on this side of Disco. During this time we had seen only a few bergs, and those not at all large ones. July 2, 3, and 4 were three lovely days. We were steering to the north, along the land, about thirty or forty miles off. The coast line along the land, about thirty or forty miles off. The coast line consists of a rugged mountain chain running north and south, the tops and sides of which were covered with snow in many places, but whether unusually so or not we cannot tell. The coast line was broken with numerous inlets and deep flords running far inland; the sea was beautifully blue and quite calm, and the sun shining brightly made the mountain sides and tops glisten and sparkle like diamonds, which a few dark, snowless patches helped to show out all the more brilliantly. Here and there a few icebergs out at sea broke the uniformity of the horizon in that direction. In fact, except that the air was rather too cold, it was easy to imagine oneself in the Mediterranean. As we approached the island of Disco icebergs became much more numerous, and we saw some very large ones; but still, especially in height, nothing to what I expect we shall see.

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"On Sunday, the 4th, in the evening, we crossed the Arctic Circle, and on Monday the sun was shining brightly all night. It seems very odd going to bed in the bright sanlight. On Tuesday, the 6th, we arrived and anchored at Godhavea, Disco, wherewefound the Valorous. She got in on Sunday, thanks to her power of steam, in spite of our deriding her as we did at starting. She came through some ice, but not so much as we did, having kept more to the westward. She has 250 tons of coal left, and between us we shall take from her something like 120 or 130 tons; so I expect they will have to go to a place on the mainland called Lütenbenk, just opposite Disco, and dig for coal, which will be a long, disagreeable job, as the ground must still be very hard from the frost, and the coal is so bad that the Danish Government sends out every year the coal required for the settlements. However, as long as they get bad that the Danish Government sends out every year the coal required for the settlements. However, as long as they get enough to clear them of the ice on the way to Cape Farewell, and for the sounding and dredging they have to do on their way home it will do, as they can sail the rest of the time. On Sunday, the 11th, 1 record that we have been hard at work ever since our arrival at Disco getting in coal and stores from the Valerous, and taking observations of all descriptions on shore, the naturalists making excursions after flowers, &c. There are a good many different kinds of plants and flowers growing on the sides of the mountains, but not in any very great abundance. There are, except dogs, no animals on this island, abundance. There are, except dogs, no animals on this island, and not many birds; some ducks have been shot—eider—but not many. There are a few cod to be caught in the harbour, and tome-salmon trout in the rivers, but not many of either; still they are very acceptable in supplementing our other pro-

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"There was a little excitement about some 'meteorites' the other day. A place near here in 'Disco Fjord,' called. 'Ofivak,' is celebrated for them, though there are none now, a Swedish professor having carried them all off a few years ago. Well, some Esquimaux came in, and said that whilst near there, fishing or something, a day or so before, they had seen some 'meteorites' fall, and marked the spot. A party was sent off at once (on the evening of the 9th) to try and find them, and see if it was possible to bring them to the ship; the next morning the steam-pinnace or the Valorous also went to look for them. The expedition returned last night without having seen the ghost of a 'meteorite,' though the Esquimaux pointed out the exact spot where he had seen it. It must either have returned to the skies again, been washed into the sea, or existed only in the imagination of the native. This is not a very magnificent settlement, only consisting of about twelve or lifteen huts and houses, with a population just under one hundred. The Inspector of the

population just under one hundred. The Inspector of the whole of the Danish possessions in Greenland lives here. He

is a great swell, of course, and is generally a military man.

His pay is £660 per amnum, and he has to remain out here for eight years. I do not ency him. Then there is a Governor of the place, who is not nearly so big a man. Every Danish settlement has a blacksmith and a cooper (Danes) attached to it, who have, I believe, to sign regular articles before leaving Denmark to remain out here for a certain time. The women's dress is picturesque to look at. They wear coloured boots, red cre yellow, of dressed skin, which reach to the knee. Then white trousers, and a coloured jacket fitting tight round the neck, and coming just below the top of the trousers. Scalskin jacket and trousers are worn over those in cold weather, with the hair outside. The jacket has a hood in it for carrying the below. They all of them look much like Chinese about the eyes and face. I don't think they use much water, except for drinking. The Valorous, it appears, is not going for coal to the same Ritenbank as we go to for our dogs. The one we go to is on a small island, just off the mainland of Greenland and opposite to this place; whilst the one she goes to for the coal is on the north-east of this Island of Disco.

"We have heard very favourable accounts of the mildness of the past winter it has been, for the winter morths, some eight or nine degrees higher than for a number of years past. Also, from all accounts, ever since 1852 the winters have been beccaming milder. The spring this year was, however, late and severe. We all leave here to-morrow (Thursday, the 15th), and the Valorous will accompany us to our Ritenbank, so that we shall have another day or so for writing. I think we are going os hip an Esquimaux on board each ship, perhaps two, to look after the dogs and make themselves generally useful. After leaving Ritenbank we shall go north, through the Waigat Channel—between Disco and the west coast of Grentland made and the result of the first of provisions between the Carry Islands and \$2 deg. N. lat., to fall back upon in the event of our having finally to about the same size as Godhaven,

and compasses go ashore at once.

"I do not know whether you will hear again or not from me, but if not, no news is good news, and in this healthy climate, bar accidents, I don't see what harm can happen to us; in fact, I should rather like to bring the next news of our expedition ourselves, and, please God, that will be news of

us; in fact, I should rather like to bring the next news of our expedition ourselves, and, please God, that will be news of success."

A correspondent on board the Discovery gives a striking picture of that coast of North Greenland:—"The scenery up the coast here is very peculiar, for black and gloomy looking mountains, covered, where the sides are not too steep, with perpetual snow, stand out from the sea itself, rising, in most places, almost perpendicularly for a couple of thousand feet or so, and so sharply peaked that nothing living could scale them. This serrated chain extends all the way from the place where we first sighted land to Disco, and how much farther I do not know. It well deserves the name of 'Land of Desolation' bestowed upon it by Hayes, for desolate it appeared in places where the fiords wind like a river between the hills for a few miles. We see mighty glaciers, which are merely snow compressed by its own weight into solid ice, and which moves slowly and surely, irresistibly impelled by the accumulation behind, until it reaches the deep water. The tide then exerts its influence, and by lifting it rips off enormous masses that form the true icebergs which are met with so far south as the banks of Newfoundland. These, when they are out at sea, gradually become undermined by the action of the waves until the overhanging parts are too heavy, and break off with a tremendous crash. We passed one about 250 ft. high, as measured from the ship, which, just as we were about a mile or so off, 'calved,' as it is called—the whole side falling into the water with a noise like thunder, the fine particles of ice or spray rising like the mist from a waterfall and having the appearance of blue smoke. The part remaining rolled backward and forward with a slow, majestic motion that was almost imperceptible. This calving goes on till the large bergs are gradually broken into pieces, which dissolve and are merged in the water that surrounds them. But to revert. On the 30th we passed through masses of field-ice

collection of huts a town—is the residence of the Inspector of North Greenland—that is, he is the Governor-General. The only other white people here are the Governor, who is the head of affairs in this locality, and who is married to a halfbreed; a cooper, a blacksmith, a storekeeper, and I think another personage or so. The remainder of the people consist of half-breeds, who live like the Esquimaux, and the Esquimaux themselves. I do not think there are 250 people here

altogether—men, women, and children. This time of the year is their holiday, for they have no real work but fishing in the harbour, and of that they do not seem to do much. As soon as the ice disappears the seals depart, and the whales as well, and, as there is no cultivation, the occupation of these people is gone. They do not pick up more than two or three whales a year, but when they do get one they go in for a 'jollification.' 'A ten-foot fish' (the whalebone being of that length), to use the parlance of the whalers, would be worth £1000. The women's occupation is making clothes and curing skins. They are fond of dancing, and have been at it with our people every evening except Sunday since our arrival. They have waltzes, galops, polkas, and square dances—something like the Lancers—besides one or two of their own that I could not describe. It is curious to see these dusky damsels dancing with our sailors, whose chief characteristics are a brigandish-looking rig and a pair of heavy sea-boots, several sizes too large for them. Officers and men dance with their partners in a circle of about eighty feet in diameter, and in the half of a store with only one small window, the doorway and every other available inch of room being occupied by a crowd of natives of all sizes, whose persons or dress, or both combined, emit such a fearful odour that you fairly gasp ffor fresh air. You have a seene, in fact, that could only be found in this part of the world. After a time we persuaded the damsels to come out into the open air, and there we kept it up until eleven o'clock, and then the 'Governor' stopped the music, as he thought it was time for everybody to be in bed; so we came aboard and the natives went home. The dress of the women is very picturesque. They have a kind of dogskin stockings, with the fur inside, which reaches a little above the knee, and over this they have a mocassin of dressed scalskin, which is generally very gaily dyed, and looks very nice. Then they have sealskin breeches, with the fur outside. Th altogether-men, women, and children. This time of the year is

Island and North Greenland, by Dr. Robert Brown, with a

map of that region.

"Holsteinborg is the port off which the Valorous had the

"Holsteinborg is the port off which the Valorous had the misfortune to get aground on a sunken rock not before known. It is in the Southern Inspectorate, and just within the Arctic Circle. It enjoys a large allowance of mosquitoes and fogs, but is the cleanest and best-managed settlement that the expedition has visited. The ice seldom makes here before Christmas, but a great deal of rain and snow falls. An iceberg 200 ft. high was passed in Davis Strait.

"Lievly Harbour, or Godhaven, is at the southern extremity of Disco Island. It was here that the Alert and Discovery took on board the supplies which the Valorous had brought out for them. Icebergs are always in sight here, and their thunder is constantly heard as they 'calve,' or split asunder. The ice had cleared out only a fortnight before the expedition arrived; a few small bergs were left floating down the harbour. One was towed alongside the ship and cut up with axes; the fragments were then passed down the hatchways, to be thawed below.

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"In the passage of the squadron from Lievly Harbour, Disco, to Ritenbenk, Prince's Island, across the south entrance of the Waigat Strait, a very beautiful scene was beheld. The ships had been enveloped in a dense fog, so that during some hours it was unsafe for them to move, with the number of icebergs around them. They lay so close to each other that the men on board the Valorous could hear what was passing on board the other ships. They heard Captain Nares, in the Alert, say to the Discovery, 'Stand by; cast off your hawser, and put your helm hard a-port;' which would be necessary had the Alert, with the Discovery in tow, suddenly come on to an iceberg. Both ships were invisible to the Valorous; but the overhearing of this order, coming mysteriously out of the fog, served to warn her of the position of her consorts. Some time after this the fog rolled away, and disclosed the two Arctic exploring ships, one in tow of the other, with the boat of Mr. Schmidt, the Inspector of South Greenland, astern of the Discovery. In the background rose the highlands of Disco, with snowy peaks and glaciers. Innumerable icebergs floated around the ships. Our sketch shows the Alert and Discovery, with the little boat in tow; and in the left-hand corner is the bowsprit of the Valorous ceming forward, with the look-out man reporting, 'There they are, Sir!' A remarkable iceberg was passed on this occasion. The sun, though low in the horizon, still gave ample light; and flocks of birds rose from the many peaks, alarmed by the approach of the vessels. The Alert and Discovery, as they rounded this iceberg close on its farther side, appeared to be passing through a stupendeus arch. No mere sketch can do justice to the exquisite colouring and wonderful depths of light and shade in this iceberg, which was fully 170ft. high.

"What the Valorous saw in the Waigat Strait, between Disco Island and the main of Green

cliffs of the Noursoak peninsula, ranging from 4000ft. to 6000ft. in height, and so precipitous that the snow takes the carliest possible opportunity of making itself scarce.

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"Ritenbenk Kulrud is the place where the coal-seams show themselves, and it was here that the Valorous lay, and took in a supply of coal to supplement what she had left after filling up the Alert and Discovery. It is on the north-east shore of Disco Island, opposite the Noursoak peninsula, and must be distinguished from Ritenbenk, Prince's Island. The sketch of Ritenbenk Kulrud shows the inland ice falling over the cliff, and becoming a glacier; but the glacier does not in this instance find its way down to the sea in the shape of ice. It melts away at the base, in a torrent which is continually carrying vast quantities of stones and mud into the sea, discolouring ing vast quantities of stones and mud into the sea, discolouring the water for a mile around and forming banks and spits to entrap the unwary navigator

a record and establish a large dépôt on the north-western coast of Carey Islands. The expedition will proceed from these islands to the entrance of Smith's Sound, and will ascend that channel when navigable. A record will be left at Sutherland Island, and the latest news will probably be found in the cairn at Gull Point, south of Cape Isabella. A dépôt and boat will be placed on Cape Sabine, or on one of the islands cast of it. As soon as the Discovery is snugly established in suitable winter quarters a dépôt of 10,000 rations will be formed on shore, together with a supply of coal. Hunting parties will then at once be thrown out, both to the shore and on the ice, to collect food for the dogs. The Alert, taking two officers and some men from the Discovery, will then press onwards alone to the north, landing dépôts and building cairns with records at intervals of about sixty miles. The surest way of reaching the Pole, in the opinion of Captain Naces, is not to push away from the land. If the Alert can winter even in 84 deg., and there is land ahead, there is the certainty of attaining a very high northern latitude by sledge travelling, and of exploring the neighbouring ceasts so as to be prepared to advance the ship along known shores during the following season, for Captain Nares considers a second season preferable to pushing off away from the land, and thereby risking a winter in the drifting pack, whence all chance of exploring is at an end; consequently, if the land north of Cape Union tends westward, with a navigable sea but no land in sight to the northward, he has made up his mind to remain by the shore for the first winter. Then, having insured communication with the Discovery, the Alert can push boldly northward in the summer of 1876. If, however, there is conterminous land to the north, the Alert will be taken this summer to as high a northern latitude as is possible. The spring travelling of 1876 will commence about April 1, and the main attempt will be made by six sledges and fifty-two men, leaving a record and establish a large dépôt on the north-western coast

#### CAPE OF PILLARS, PRINCE RUDOLF LAND.

The Austro-Hungarian North Pole Expedition, conducted by Lieutenant Julius Payer and Lieutenant Weyprecht, started frem Bremerhaven in June, 1872, and proceeded to the north of Nova Zembla (Novaya Zemlia), where it remained nearly two years. Its vessel was the screw-steamer Tegethloff, of 300 tone with a Delivation every. An explined reg of horse idended of, Nova Zembla (Novaya Zembla), where it remained nearly two years. Its vessel was the screw-steamer Tegetthoff, of 300 tens, with a Dalmatian crew—An archipelago of large islands and winding straits or sounds was discovered and explored, north of the 80th degree of latitude. The names of Ziehy Land, Wilczek Land, Crown Prince Rudolf Land, Franz Joseph Land, Osear Land, and Petermann Land, commemorate the chief patrons of the expedition. Lieutenant Payer read an account of it before the Royal Geographical Society of London in November, 1874. Mr. F. Bruckmann, of 17, Southampton-street, Strand, late of Henrietta-street, is the publisher of a series of views, drawn by Adolf Obermüllner, of Vienna, from Lieutenant Payer's original sketches. One of these views, which is copied in our Engraving, represents the fantastic beauty of the scenery at the Cape of Pillars, on the ceast of Crown Prince Land, in latitude nearly 82 deg. north. The place is so named from two detached rocks of columnar form, where deep water is found close to the shore. Lieutenant Payer says the view here was sublime. "From a height we looked down upon the dark sheet of open water, dotted with icebergs like so many pearls. Heavy clouds hung in the sky, through which penetrated the glowing rays of the sun, causing the water to sparkle; above was reflected the image of another sun, but of a paler hue. At an apparently immense height the ice-mountains of Crown Prince Rudolf Land, bathed in a roseate hue, stood out clearly visible through the rolling mists." Land, bathed in a roseate hue, stood out clearly visible through

#### THE LATE COMMODORE GOODENOUGH, C.B.

The Australian telegraph, as stated last week, has sent us the sad news of the murder of Commodore Goodenough by the savage natives of Santa Cruz. That is an island in the Western Pacific, near the Solomon Islands and the New Hebrides, about the tenth degree of south latitude and the 167th of east longitude, in what is called the Melanesian archipelago. These are the islands from which many labourers have been kidnapped for the Fiji plantations, and their inhabitants have consequently become hostile to all white men. It was in the adjacent isle of Nukupa that Bishop Patteson was killed, four or five years ago. The naval squadron on the Australian station has therefore been employed in checking the practice of kidnapping, and in attempting to open friendly intercourse with the natives. Commodore Goodenough was there last month with H.M.S. Pearl, and on the 12th landed with an unarmed party at Carlisle Bay, Santa Cruz Island, the place where the Sandily was attacked last year. After being nearly an hour on shore, and satisfied with the conciliatory progress made, the party were preparing to leave for their ship, when a native standing about four yards off fired a poisoned arrow at Commodore Goodenough, which struck him on the left side. The boats at once shoved off, receiving at the same time several flights of arrows. Seven were wounded altegether, including Commodore and Sub-Lieutenant Hawker. The Commodore and two of the boat's crew have since died; the remainder are doing well, but could not be pronounced out of danger from tetanus for twenty days from the date of the wound. Before leaving Carlisle Bay the village was burned by boats from the Pearl.

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The photograph is by Mr. H. Lewblad, of Beauty and the companion of the Order of St. Michael and Michael

The photograph is by Mr. II. Lenthall, of Regent-street.

The annual exhibition of fruit and gladicli at the Crystal Palace, held on Tuesday and two following days, was a remarkably fine one, especially in fruits.

General Sir John Michel, G.C.B., Commander of the Forces in Ireland, has been sworn in a member of the Privy Council in

After further evidence had been given at the inquest on the After futther evidence had been given at the induces on the persons who were killed in the recent railway collision at Kildwick, the jury returned a verdict of "Manslaughter" against Palfreman, the driver of the express which ran into the excursion train; and also severely censured Baldwin, the signalman at Cononley, for changing the signal there too soon, and recommended the removal of the Kildwick station to



ARCTIC SCENERY: CATE OF PILLARS, CROWN PRINCE RUDOLF LAND.



GIGANTIC ICEBERG SEEN BY THE ARCTIC SHIPS.—FROM A SKETCH BY AN OFFICER OF THE VALOROUS.

#### MUSIC.

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Two new features were added to the Covent Garden Promenade Concerts on Saturday evening, when Miss Rose Hersee and Mdlle. Boulanger made their appearance. The first-named lady met with a highly favourable reception, and was encored in Dr. Arne's song "Where the bee sucks." Mdlle. Boulanger is a young violinist (from the Paris Conservatoire), who made a very successful début on the occasion, and displayed much skill and refinement in her execution of a brilliant fantasia by Alard (on themes from "Guillaume Tell"), the last movement of which had to be repeated. Wednesday was a Mozart night, and yesterday (Friday) was to be a Meyerbeer night, including the first appearance here of Mr. Edward Lloyd, the well-known tenor. Miss Edith Wynne is announced for Monday next.

This (Saturday) evening Mr. Carl Rosa is to open his opera season at the Princess's Theatre with an English adaptation of Mozart's "Le Nozze di Figaro," the east of which includes Mdlle. Torriani as the Countess, Miss Rose Hersee as Susanna, Mr. Santley as Figaro, and Mr. Campobello as the Count. On Monday Mr. F. C. Packard is to make his first appearance as Faust in Gounod's celebrated opera, and on Wednesday Signor Cagnoni's opera "The Porter of Havre" (the libretto of which is founded on the drama of "The Porter's Knot") will be produced, the principal character being sustained by Mr. Santley. The general arrangements appear to promise a repetition of the success which has attended the recent provincial performances of Mr. Carl Rosa's company. Among other interesting features in the programme is the promised production of an English version of Cherubini's "Les Deux Journées."

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We have already adverted to the arrangements for the Norwich Triemnial Festival, which is to open on Monday week with Mendelssohn's "Elijah." As previously stated, Mr. Sullivan's projected cautata "David and Jonathan" (commissioned for the Festival) cannot be produced, in consequence of the ill-health of the composer. The Worcester Festival—reduced by the Dean and Chapter to its primitive condition of mere choral services—will be held simultaneously with that of Norwich. There seems to be a very general reluctance among the people of Worcestershire to accept the modified scheme of this year as representative of the "three choir" festivals which have so long been held alternately at Gloucester, Hereford, and Worcester. The angry feeling that has prevailed on the subject will doubtless be increased by the realisation of the project of the Dean and Chapter. The arrangements now stand thus:—On Tuesday, Sept. 21, there will be full choral service at 8.30, and the rest of the day will be given up to rehearsals. On Wechesday there will be three services—at 8.30, Anthem and Litany; 11.30, full choral, with Mendelssohn's cantata "Not unto us," and Gibbon's authem "O clap your hands;" and 3.30, full choral, with Spohr's "God, Thou art great," and Wesley's anthem "Let us lift up." On Thursday two services are arranged—11.30, full choral service, with Wesley's anthem "The Wilderness," and Handel's "O praise the Lord;" and 3.30, tull choral service, with Mendelssohn's anthem "Hear my prayer," and Spohr's anthem "How lovely are thy dwellings." Thus it will be seen there are no oratorios. There will be collections after each service for the charity for the relief of clergymen's widows and orphans, in aid of which a "special fund" has been started, which to the present time amounts to upwards of £500; so that, which to the present time amounts to upwards of £500; so that, which to the present time a

#### MUSICAL PUBLICATIONS.

"L'Arte Antica e Moderna" is the title of a series of volumes containing pianoforte works of the sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, and present centuries. Beginning with pieces by the early Italian and French masters, Frescobaldi, Scarlatti, Couperin, and Rameau, the selection includes pieces by Bach, Handel, Haydn, Mozait, Clementi, Dussek, Steibelt, Cramer, Beethoven, Hummel, Weber, Schubert, Schumann, Chopin, Mendelssohn, and other eminent masters, ancient and modern. One name we have reserved for special mention—that of Pollini, a name scarcely known in this country, although that of one who was remarkably in advance of his time in the development of pianoforte mechanism. Francesco Pollini was born at Lubiana, about the year 1774, and has left a large number of compositions for the instrument, most of which are comprised in the catalogue of Ricordi, the eminent music publisher of Milan. It is by this firm, and the London agent, Mr. Tamplini, of Charles-street, that the collection now referred to is issued. Special attention was first drawn to the music of Pollini, some years ago, by Franz Liszt, in the preface to his transcriptions of Bach's organ preludes and fugues for piano solo. The great modern pianist characterises the Italian master as a phenomenon, and says that he was the first to use three staves for the two hands of the player, so as to allow of an elaborate accompaniment surrounding the principal theme. A remarkable instance of this is the "Uno de' 32 esercizi in forma di Toccata, op. 42." This piece is included in the collection now referred to, which (as already said) also comprises many masterpieces of the classical and brilliant schools. The engaving is admirable for its beauty and clearness, and the work is printed from plates, the lowness of the price being in strong contrast to the excellence of the edition. "L'Arte Antica e Moderna" is the title of a series of volumes

#### THEATRES.

DRURY LANE.

With the opening of the national theatre the dramatic season is begun, and attention becomes fixed on the probable development of its history. It is of hopeful augury that the business is initiated with an original production. The New World has here come to the assistance of the Old. Mr. New World has here come to the assistance of the Old. Mr. Dion Boucicault, who commands both, had found and collected in the former the materials for a new Irish drama, and bion Boucleaut, who commands both, had found and collected in the former the materials for a new Irish drama, and had availed himself of the opportunity for testing its eligibility for stage performance in the latter. Those materials, as might have been expected, are similar to the elements already worked up with masterly skill by the same hand in the Hibernian subjects which he has already manipulated for representation on British boards. Mr. Boucicault, however, bestows on them an air of novelty, by means of new combinations, which he well knows how to create. His present venture, accordingly, which he entitles "The Shaughraun," is both like and unlike his former productions—like in essential character but unlike in external features. The Shaughraun, sustained by Mr. Boucicault himself, is described on the bills as "the soul of every fair, the life of every funeral, and the first fiddle at all weddings and patterns,"—the servant of an Irish gentleman, named Robert Ffolliott (Mr. J. B. Howard), who is under sentence as a Fenian, and in whose fortunes he takes an affectionate interest. One good attribute belongs to this faithful demestic—his name is brief, and easily pronounced. Conn is the appellation in which he rejoices, and by which he is best known. He follows his master to Australia, whither he has

been banished, after having been betrayed by a rascally police agent, "disguised as a peasant," and afterwards aids him to escape to America. In due time he is enabled to return to his native place; and just at this juncture it is that the new drama opens. The dramatist is careful to make us speedily acquainted with the state of affairs at home. To save Ffolliott's estates from confiscation, they have been conveyed to a false seeming friend, a squireen, named Corry Kinchela (Mr. Henry Sinclair), who has long determined to convert them to his own use, and, to effect his end, takes measures to arrest the fugitive l'enian. From his machinations the life of Robert Ffolliott is in peril more than once, and these, and his deliverances from them, constitute the incidents of the plot. Conn, of course, is the principal agent in rescuing his patron from danger. The rescue from prison is one of the great features of the action:—the inside and outside of the tower are alternately exhibited, by its revolving, so as to show the different scenes. Conn, in the escape, exposes himself to be shot at instead of his master, and, though unwounded, carries the deception so far that he is laid out for dead, and an Irish wake is celebrated over his supposed corpse. A situation this, truly, rather ticklish; but the stage-business is judiciously managed, and thus a doubtful situation is converted into a triumph. There are some love-scenes which add to the attractions of the performance. One of these pleasant episodes relates to Conn, who is beloved by Moya (Mrs. Boucicault), the nice of Father Dolan, a benevolent priest, very nicely acted by Mr. David Fisher. The last scene is very effective, in which the dastardly police-agent, Harvey Duff, to escape from public indignation, throws himself into the deep, and Kinchela is all but killed, and, finally arrested, is carried off to just punishment. Next to the excellent acting of the piece is undoubtedly the scenery, which everywhere exhibits Mr. William Beverly at his best. The dialogue of been banished, after having been betrayed by a rascally police

#### THE FREEMASONS AND THE POLICE.

At the great assembly of the Freemasons of England, on April 28, at the Royal Albert Hall, for the installation of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales as Grand Master of the Order, the force of Metropolitan Police in attendance was under



the command of Mr. Superintendent Mott. Its duty was most efficiently performed, to the convenience and satisfaction of the Freemasons; and, as Brother James Mott is one of their fraternity, the Grand Lodge has voted him a testimonial gift, in the shape of a steward's jewel, the pattern of which is shown in our Engraving.

OFFICIAL INQUIRIES INTO THE LOSS OF VESSELS. The Admiralty inquiry into the circumstances connected with the fatal collision off Portsmouth has terminated, and a report has been forwarded to head-quarters. It is said that an Admiralty circular for the future guidance of officers in command of the Royal yachts will be issued.

The Court appointed by the Board of Trade to inquire into the loss of the sailing-ship Aurora, which was lately burned at sea, have adjourned to prepare their report. In the meanwhile they have expressed their opinion that the vessel was well found and manned, that the cargo was properly stowed, and that the officers and crew behaved in a creditable manner. They also returned Captain Johnson his certificate.

Yesterday week the Board of Trade inquiry regarding the less of the schooner Lady Gray, of Aberdeen, near Sunderland, on Aug. 8, was brought to a close. The gentlemen constituting the Court found that the vessel had been lost in consequence of the carcless navigation of the master, George Berry; and had he held a certificate it would have been suspended.

An inquiry instituted by the Board of Trade into the cir-An inquiry instituted by the Board of Trade into the curcumstances attending the loss of the steamer Zest, on the coast of Portugal, in last July, was concluded at Liverpool last Saturday. The Court found the captain (Farrars) in default in steering a course which carried his vessel so near the laud, and also in not steering more to the westward when a heavy fog was on, which would have taken him out of danger. His certificate was surposed for six months. tificate was suspended for six months.

The second congress of the jurisconsults of Scandinavia s opened, at Stockholm, on the 26th ult. The largest The second congress of the jurisconsults of Scandinavia was opened, at Stockholm, on the 26th ult. The largest number of representatives are, as might be expected, Swedish, being 366 in number. Dehmark sends 199, Norway 53, and Finland 22. M. de Geer, Swedish Minister of Justice, was chosen president, and among the Danish representatives are the Danish Minister of Justice (M. Nellemann), MM. Klein and Kireger (former Ministers of Justice), M. Liebe (President of the Landsthing), M. Schlagel (president of the Court of Comthe Landsthing), M. Schlegel (president of the Court of Commerce), several members of the Supreme Court, professors of Copenhagen University, and advocates. King Oscar cordially welcomed the representatives, and entertained all the members of the congress at supper at the palace on the evening of the covering of the congress.

#### A WEEK'S BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

The Registrar-General's weekly return states that 5457 births and 3740 deaths were registered last week in London and twenty other large towns of the United Kingdom. The natural increase of population was 1717. The mertality from all causes was at the average rate of 25 deaths annually in every 1000 persons living. The annual death-rate was 25 per 1000 in Edinburgh, 25 in Glasgow, and 21 in Dublin. The annual rates of mortality per thousand last week in the eighteen English towns, ranged in order from the lowest, were as follow:—London, 22; Sunderland, 24; Sheffield, 25; Oldham, 25; Portsmouth, 26; Liverpool, 26; Manchester, 23; Bristol, 28; Wolverhampton, 30; Hull, 30; Leeds, 31; Newcastle-on-Tyne, 31; Birmingham, 32; Norwich, 35; Leicester, 35; Bradford, 35; Salford, 36; and Nottingham, 36. The annual death-rate from the seven principal zymotic diseases averaged 80 per thousand in the eighteen towns, and ranged from 54 and 61 in Oldham and London to 137 and 143 in Birmingham and Bradford. Scarlet fever showed a considerably increased fatality both in Bristol and Bradford. The annual death-rate from diarrhæa in the eighteen towns, which in the four preceding weeks had steadily increased fatality increased fatality are 1000 and reversed. The Registrar-General's weekly return states that 5157 births which in the four preceding weeks had steadily increased from 3.5 to 5.1, declined last week to 4.8 per 1000, and ranged from 2.1 and 2.8 in Bristol and London to 10.1 and 11.0 in Norwich and Birmingham. The fatality of dirrihous showed a considerable decline in Leicester.

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In Greater London 2754 births and 1719 deaths were registered, equal to annual rates of 31°2 and 21°3 per 1000 of the population. In the Outer Ring the death-rate from all causes and from the seven principal zymotic diseases, was 19°9 and 4°7 per 1000 respectively, against 21°6 and 6°1 in Inner London. Three of the eight deaths in Isleworth subdistrict were referred to infantile cholera.

At the anniversary of the Independent Order of Good Templars, held at Birmingham on Tuesday, it was stated that the members of the order could be counted almost by hundreds

The death, at Douarnenex, Finistère, of the painter Pils, aged sixty-two, is announced. He was born in Paris, and studied under Picot, and in the Ecole des Beaux-Arts, where Peter Curing the Lame at the Gate of the Temple.' On his return he exhibited several pictures of a religious nature, undertook many long voyages, and followed the French army to the Crimea, whence he brought the materials for his best pictures. He was nominated a member of the Academy of Pine Arts on Nay 7, 1868 in the place of his former instructor. pictures. He was nominated a member of the Academy of Fine Arts on Nov. 7, 1868, in the place of his former instructor,

A sham fight, in which six batteries of field artillery and The defending force was composed of three batteries of artillery and the first brigade of infantry, under Major-General Primrose, C.S.I. The attacking force was about double this strength, and was formed of three batteries of artillery; the second brigade, under Major-General Shipley, C.B.; and the third brigade, under Colonel Hawes, 9th Regiment, as Brigadier. Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Steele, K.C.B., was umpire-in-chief, and on his arrival on the ground the field was unpre-medicity, and on his arrivar on the ground the held-movements commenced. The defenders occupied a strong position at the foot of Beacon's-hill. The enemy assembled at l'uckridge-hill, and attacked both flanks of their opponents. The operations lasted about a couple of hours, and at the conclusion the attacking force was adjudged as having had the best of it.

#### THE LOSS OF H.M.S. VANGUARD.

This claiming naval disaster was reported in our last. At one o'clock on Thursday week, in the midst of a dense fog, the ironclad Iren Duke ran into the ironclad Vanguard, in the Irish Sea, off Bray Head. The Vanguard sank in nineteen fathems depth in less than an hour, but the time had been sufficient to allow all the officers and crew to be taken off the ship so suddenly destroyed. These two ships were part of the reserve squadron of six vessels, which left Kingstown, Dublin Bay, for Queenstown, Cove of Cork. In order to keep clear of the banks the squadron had passed north of the Kish lightship, when a fog set in, which made the ships quite invisible to each other. Speed was therefore slackened, and the rate seems to have been about seven knots an hour, when the Vanguard sighted a large sailing-vessel, with which there was imminent risk of collision. She was then about eight miles E.S.E. of the Kish light, or fourteen miles from Kingstown. In order to avoid the sailing-vessel the Vanguard's helm was put hard aport. It was then discovered that the Iron Duke was only about a cable's length astern. The bowsprit of the Iron Duke was dimly seen through the fog by those on board the Vanguard, coming on at right angles and amidships. The watch cried out and orders were given to reverse the engines; but before this could be done the ram of the Iron Duke struck the Vanguard about four feet below the water-line, between the main and mizen masts, and abaft the engine-room, causing a great rent in the ship. The waterticht compartments, however, kept her This alarming naval disaster was reported in our last. guard about four feet below the water-line, between the main and mizen masts, and abaft the engine-room, causing a great rent in the ship. The watertight compartments, however, kept her afloat long enough to enable all hands to be saved. They owed their lives to the ship being built in watertight divisions. The Iron Duke backed astern and lowered all her boats, and the officers and men did their utmost to rescue the crew of the sinking vessel. The Vanguard sank fifty-nine minutes after being struck, leaving only the topgallant masts visible. The other ships of the squadron proceeded on their voyage, un-aware of what had happened, owing to the extreme thickness of the fog.

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During several weeks past the reserve squadron of the Channel Fleet has been making its annual tour of the ports round Ireland. It consisted of the Warrior, the Hector, the Vanguard, the Iron Duke, the Penclope, and the Achilles, under the command of Vice Admiral Sir J. W. Tarleton. These ships arrived at Kingstown from Belfast on the Saturday before the disaster; but the Vanguard, under the command of Captain Richard Dawkins, had been stationed at Kingstown, as guardship of that port, during four years past.

Vice-Admiral Sir W. Tarleton, Admiral Superintendent of the Naval Reserves, was on board the Warrior, which led the fleet, when the disaster occurred. At half-past ten on Wednesday morning the ships got into line in the roads of Kingstown and prepared for departure. The usual order having been settled, the start for Cork was made, the Warrior and Hawk in front, the Achilles, Hector, Iron Duke, and Vanguard coming behind in a straight line. Off the Kish Lightship, which floats at sea six miles from Kingstown, the Achilles hoisted her ensign to say farewell, and then parted company to proceed to Liverpool at noon, the sea being at this time what is known in nautical phraseology as moderate. A fog came on; it increased, as fogs at sea do, in density every moment. At 12.30 fifty yards of sea ahead could not be seen, and at this time the Warrior and Hector were considered to be a mile or two in front of the other ships. It might have been an act of questionable prudence had they left the harbour in hazy weather, but the fog appears to have rather suddenly surrounded them after they had started. It was quite enough to detain the Holyhead boat, which is usually punctual, and the mails were not delivered that night in consequence. The ships were proceeding at the rate of twelve or fourteen knots an hour before the fog came on, being desirous the mails were not delivered that night in consequence. The ships were proceeding at the rate of twelve or fourteen knots an hour before the fog came on, being desirous of keeping their appointed time in Queenstown; but their speed was reduced when the fog came on, and they were running at not more than half the former rate. The Vanguard watch observed a large vessel coming down upon them, and the helm was put hard aport to clear it. The Iron Duke was then in the wake of the Vanguard at a short distance, and the sudden check in the course of the latter vessel had the effect of bringing them closer and turning her broadside to the then in the wake of the Vanguard at a short distance, and the sudden check in the course of the latter vessel had the effect of bringing them closer and turning her broadside to the former, which, unaware of the obstruction, had made no corresponding motion, but continued on its tack. The commander of the Iron Duke, Captain Henry Hickley, who was on deck at the time, saw the figure of the Vanguard appearing through the fog. He instantly ordered the engines to be reversed, but this direction went forth too late. The ram of the Iron Duke protrudes eight feet in front of the ship beneath the water-line. This struck the Vanguard some four feedlow the armour-plates, on the port quarter, abreast of the engine-room. The rent made was very large, and the water poured into the hold in a perfect flood. The officers of the Vanguard, with a crew whose discipline the officers describe as sailor-like and magnificent throughout, did all they could to obviate the danger by endeavouring to make tight the several compartments of the ship. An artificer, at the imminent risk of his life, ran down into the engine-room and let off the steam. But for this a terrible explosion would have occurred, and destroyed probably the lives of all on board. The after-portion filled first, and the water rushed into the engine-room, extinguishing the fires, and the machinery was stopped. Captain Dawkins then called out to the men of his ship that if they preserved order all would be saved; but if there was confusion, all would be lost. The men stood along the deck in order, and not a man anoved until ordered to do so. The ship was quickly filling; nothing could withstand the deluge that began to flow through every section. Meanwhile the boats of both ships were promptly lowered. While the launching was going on the swell of the tide caused a life-boat to surge upwards against the lull, and one of the crew had his fingers crushed. This was the only injury to any person. Captains Hickley and aboard the Iron Duke, and within twenty minutes the whole the hull, and one of the crew had his fingers crushed. This was the only injury to any person. Captains Hickley and Dawkins worked vigorously to get the men of the Vanguard aboard the Iron Duke, and within twenty minutes the whole of the men were transferred. There was many a voluntary delay, as individual sailors petitioned to make one more effort to secure chattel or keepsake hidden away below. But the orders, "Boys, come instantly!" were not only frequent, but stern. As the bells on the Iron Duke were striking two, the last man of the Vanguard having been received on board the Iron Duke, the disabled vessel whirled round two or three times and then suddenly sank in deep water. The spirit of both crews was severely tested in that trying hour, when the hearts of many who would not quail at the sight of an enemy might have sunk within them at the prospect of such a doom as seemed almost inevitable. The discipline and courage of the service were never more admirably proved. Captain Dawkins was the last person to leave his sinking ship, having remained on the bridge all the time. He was carnest in impressing upon his men the necessity of preserving order and self-command, and in pointing out the fatal consequence of any confusion, and his expostulations were effectually seconded by his officers. The Vanguard, sinking stern foremost, went down in an inclined residing canted to starbayerd at any angle of 49 dec

The Vanguard, sinking stern foremost, went down in an inclined position, canted to starboard at an angle of 49 deg., but on reaching the bottom she righted. The vessel is lying an about eighteen fathoms of water, the Kish Light bearing

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It is believed in well-informed quarters that the Vanguard can be lifted. The ship cost £357,497, and with her guns and outfit was worth £500,000. The officers' plate is valued at £260, and the wines at £300. If the sunken ironelad should be raised, so as to float once more, the feat will be an unprecedented accomplishment of modern naval and hydraulic engineering. Consultations have been in progress between experienced naval and dockyard authorities, and the general opinion of practical men is that it may be done. In fine weather, it is thought, the divers will have no difficulty in removing the masts and upper-deck guns. This will be done as soon as practicable, but the raising of the hull cannot be attempted till the spring of next year. Then the mooring-chains, of such enormous thickness as astonished many a rural visitor to the dockyard stores, will be slipped under the Vanguard's hull; or, if this is found impracticable, will be made fast to her hawse-holes. Four, or perhaps six, of our great line-of-battle ships now in reserve will be then moored above her, and, the chains being made fast, the resist-less rise of the tide will suffice to lift the Vanguard. Such is the project; and once off the bottom she may, by successive short stages, be slid up the Kish Bank until the seat of her injuries can be reached. The Dublin graving-dock at the end of the North Wall can take in a vessel 400 ft. in length, and is amply fitted to berth and accommodate a vessel the size of the Vanguard. Messrs. Bewley, Webb, and Company are willing to undertake the work. A number of divers, with lighters, ship-chains, and other apparatus, have been sent from the dockyard at Devonport, in charge of Staff-Commander Batt.

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Friday morning. On board these ships nothing was known of the disaster to the Vanguard, and the crews thought that both it and the Iron Duke were ahead, and at the rendezvous. The excitement on board when the news was read was intense. The crews shouted for joy when informed that no

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Both the vessels were powerful rams, but the Iron Duke was much the more formidable of the two. The Vanguard, an iron-plated steam-ram, launched in 1870, came under what may be termed the second class of ironclad broadsides. Her tonnage was 6034 tons, and her horse-power 5812. She carried ten 12-ten guns and four 40-pounder Armstrongs. She was protected by armour-plating 4½ in. thick, which extended about 5 ft. below the water-line. The stem and stern, which were unprotected by the plating, were crossed and recrossed in every direction by solid water-tight compartments. Her officers were Captain Richard Dawkins; Commander Dashwood G. Tandy; Licutenants Robert B. Pipon, Edward R. W. Noble, and George Neville; Navigating Licutenant James C. Thomas; Chaplain, the Rev. John C. Edwards, M.A.; Staff-Surgeon Constantine Reenan; Chief Engineer, E. Rivers. The full complement of hands was 450, but not more than 360 were on board at the time of this disaster.

The Iron Duke is of the same size and armament, and was built on the same model as the Vanguard. She is a twinscrew iron plated ram, and was launched in 1870. Her tonnage is 6024, and her horse power 4268. Her officers are—Rear-Admiral Sir Charles F. A. Shadwell, K.C.B.; Flag-Lieutenant Frederick R. Dicken; Secretary, W. B. Hutchinson; Captain William Arthur, Commander John L. Way, Navigating Lieutenant Stopford C. Tracey; Chaplain and Naval Instructor, Rev. W. Parry, M.A.; Staff-Surgeon A. Watson, M.D. The full number of hands is 544.

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Captain Henry Dennis Hickley entered the navy in 1810, and obtained his commission as Lieutenant in 1847. He served in the Persian, 16, on the West India Station from the date of his promotion until paid off in March, 1848; and from the following May until the close of 1851 in the Hastings, 72; Cambian, 40; and Renard, 9, in the East Indies, and was senior of the Argus, 6, again in the West Indies, from December, 1852, until paid off in 1856. He was senior of the Diadem, 32, from August, 1857, until promoted to Commander, Aug, 26, 1858; and in June, 1859, obtained command of the Gladator, 6, and towards the close of the year fell in with an American vessel, the St. Mary, dismasted and totally disabled, and rendered her very valuable assistance. He, however, refused any compensation. In September, 1860, on his arrival at New Orleans with the remnant of General Walker's army, he was assaulted by some gentlemen of fillbustering sympathies while in company of Mr. Eastman, the Acting British Consul, on a visit to the Mayor, Mr. Monroe, in within two miles of Nassau harbour, throwing shot and shell at her all the way. The Herald, however, entered the harbour in safety. Captain Hickley, who was posted Feb. 16, 1861, from the Greyhound, was appointed additional Captain of the Princess Royal, 73, flagship, at China, in January, 1867; and in May assumed command of the Adventure, troop-ship, also at China, from which ship, however, he was compelled to at China, from which ship, however, he was compelled to invalid in April, 1868. He commanded the Tamar, troop-ship, trom September, 1869, until May, 1872, when he obtained command of the Hotspur, 3, armour-plated ram, and paid her off

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The trial of Captain Richard Dawkins, by court-martial, for the loss of his vessel, commenced yesterday on board the Royal Adelaide, the port guardship at Plymouth. Rear-Admiral Lord John Hay, C.B., second in command of the Black Sea fleet, presides over the Court; and the inquiry is likely to be prolonged. likely to be prolonged.

The next examination of candidates for admission to the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, will begin, at the London University, Burlington-gardens, on Wednesday, Dec. 1—the medical inspection taking place at the Royal Mintary Academy, Woolwich, on the previous day.

#### THE HERZEGOVINA.

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The latest reports of the insurrection against the Turkish Government in this province are not favourable to its success. A party of its allies from the neighbouring province of Servia, which has a constitutional self-government, was crossing the frontier stream when they were stopped and dispersed by the Turks. It is said that the native princes both of Servia and Mentenegro, who owe allegiance to the Sultan, have expressed their intentien to refrain from joining the revolt, though much excitement prevails among their people. They were formally wanted that, if they attempted to make war against Turkey, their country would be occupied by Austrian troops. But it seems only too probable that the Turks have actually violated the Servian frontier, and have committed acts of bloodshed and pillage upon Prince Milan's territory. Not less popular excitement continues in Dalmatia, and causes great perplexity to the Austrian Government. Arms and ammunition continue to reach Castelnuovo, and are conveyed across the Turkish frontier to the insurgents who are besieging Trebinje. We hear that an insurgent band has appeared in the defiles between Metgovich and Mostar, threatening from the coast to concentrate on the Servian frontier. An encounter is expected. The refugees who have crossed over into Austro-Hungarian territory into the Graditzka and neighbouring districts number 18,203 persons. They have brought with them 11,000 head of horned cattle, 950 horses, 5700 pigs, and 2000 sheep.

We gave last week a view of Mostar, the chief town of the Herzegovina, from a sketch by M. Charles Yriante, of Paris. That accomplished French author is preparing a new book, descriptive of all those countries on the Adriatic shore—Istria, Dalmatia, and Montenegro," by R. H. R. It is a lively and entertaining account of those places along the seacoast, but does not, or course, afford much information about the interior—namely, Bosnia and the Herzegovina. The lastmentioned province is the southern division of Bosnia, and der The latest reports of the insurrection against the Turkish

who did not yield to the Turkish conquerors till 1520, whereas they had subdued Bosnia in the middle of the fifteenth century. It is a mountainous and rugged country, with a population of 183,000, two-thirds of them being Roman Catholics and Greek Christians, the remainder Mohammedans, but nearly all of the Sclavonic race. The figures in costume, which appear in our second engraving, are from photographs precured there by M. Yriarte, In the middle foreground stand a man and a woman, who are a well-to-do farmer of Monastir and his wife; her jacket sleeves are richly embroidered by household industry, for such work is not to be bought with money. The rich tradesmen, and particularly the Jews, are dressed in a costly fashion, wearing ample furs in the winter season, with bread silver girdles, and many jewels or ornaments of gold. A Jewish woman is shown at the left hand side, and a middle-class Christian woman at the right hand of our Engraving. The man with a short white kilt or petticoat is a Turkish butcher, holding his great knife in his hand; he belongs to the town of Trebugné. In the other Engraving, on the same page, is beheld the scene at a caravanserai, or common lodging for travellers, on the Dalmatian frontier, which is occupied for the night by a marching detachment of the Turkish army. Turkish army.

#### "THE DISCOVERY OF GREENLAND."

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This picture is one of the fine views of Arctic scenery produced by the Danish artist, Carl Rasmussen, who has combined with it the ideal representation of a glorious historical event in the ancient maritime achievements of his nation. It was greatly admired, with other works of the Danish school of marine painters, Sörensen, Carl Bille, the brothers Melby, and Carl Baagoe, in this year's exhibition at the Marine Picture Gallery, m New Bond-street. The particular subject of Mr. Rasmussen's great picture is noticed in the catalogue:—

"'King Eric the Red, on being expelled from Iceland in the year 983, set out in his ship with about thirty-five men and some women, in order to find the land which Gunbjörn had seen from his vessel when the latter, on a voyage from Norway to Iceland, was driven westward. The land thus sought was discovered surrounded by great masses of ice, presenting beautiful and some funtastic forms, immense numbers of birds were seen, and unnerous large fishes appeared in the waters.' So wrote the old Norse chronicler, in words at once very plain and rich in manifold suggestiveness, in the 'Saga.' Influenced, we may assume, as well by the revived spirit of Arctic enterprise as by the intrinsic attractiveness of the theme itself, Carl Rasmussen has preduced his artistic record of King Eric's discovery. The painter knows the aspect of Greenland well. He is at home amidst its snow-covered mountains, its ice-environed sheres, and its massive and fantastic icebergs, whether floating on its deep cold waters or still in formation amid the glaciers of its fords and ravines. Carl Rasmussen also is familiar with every hue and tint and blending of colour that suffuses the skies, and plays upon the waters, the ice, and the mountains of Greenland. Nor is he a stranger to the descendants of the 'fishes' and the 'birds' of the 'Saga,' and to their comrades the scals and other living occupants of Greenland ice and water. As to King Eric himself, his men and women, the companions poems on canvas that, rising above criticism, claim to be seen that they may be understood, and to be studied if they are indeed to be appreciated."

#### CAPTAIN WEBB.

Captain Matthew Webb is still receiving substantial tokens of the admiration excited in the public mind by his gallant swim across the English Channel. Recovering from the hearty and boisterous greeting he met with at the Baltie, at the Stock Exchange, and at the Covent Garden Promenade Concerts, Captain Webb went down to Dover last Saturday and gave a Captain Webb went down to Dover last Saturday and gave a dinner to Captain Toms and the crew of the lugger Anne, which accompanied him on his first as well as on his successful Channel swim, on Monday evening. Captain Webb was himself entertained at the officers' mess of the Royal Artillery, and afterwards attended a meeting of the working men of Dover, who presented him with a purse and an address of engratulation. We shall be happy to receive from our reasers any contributions they may like to send to the Webb Testimonial Fund. A subscription-list, started by the Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News is headed by the proprietor with £25, and any sums received at the Illustrated London News effice, 158, Strand, will be acknowledged in this Paper.

#### NEWS FROM THE ARCTIC EXPEDITION.-FROM SKETCHES BY AN OFFICER OF THE VALOROUS.



WHAT THE VALOROUS SAW IN THE WAIGAT STRAIT.



GODHAVEN, OR LIEVLY\_HARBOUR, DISCO ISLAND.



THE RITENBENK COAL CLIFFS.

#### ECHOES OF THE WEEK.

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Everybody seems to be agreed just now that the weather, although, as a rule, splendid, is terribly depressing. Theodore Hook used to saythat there were two kinds of canicula—"maddog" days and "dull-dog" days, and it is upon the latter that we seem to have fallen in this instant month of September. We pant. Our cry is for more air. Hydrophobia, happily, is not one of our symptoms; since thirst under the present sultry dispensation is chronic, and our thoughts tend continuously towards Appollinaris Water or lime-juice cordial, while others pin their faith to Sainsbury's "Number One," and the more sagacious remember that about the best remedy for constant aridity of the fauces is to drink as little as possible. It is good to bear in mind that to suck a morsel of gum arabic is much better than to swallow hastily the most tempting efferveseing beverage; and, laying these words of wisdom to our hears, it might be hinted en passant that sliced cucumber in your claret cup is a very excellent substitute for the herb borage. Why will people persist in pronouncing it as "burridge":

Yet, at this eminently dull, dead, dejected season there is comfort in lighting here and there on something of a sparkling and revivifying nature. Mr. Roebuck's oratory at Shefileld, for example, has been immensely refreshing, and the recent and genial utterances of "the old man eloquent" concerning the harmonising influence of artistic and scientific education on the masses, really do one good to read. The spirited Sheffileld folk have just opened their park, museum, and picture-gallery, and Mr. Roebuck has been talking to them about trees and the delights of landscape-painting; and the benefits which the little schoolchildren of Sheffield will derive, when they visit the museum, from the contemplation of the specimens of "geology" and "comparative anatomy" in the contents therein I have long been passionately devoted to the study of comparative anatomy, and when I have any leisure I read I have long been passionately devoted to the study of comparative anatomy, and when I have any leisure I read and try to understand a chapter of Cosmos; but I frankly own that when I was a boy at school I should have infinitely preferred the most unsparing application of the cane to a visit to a museum full of bones and anatomical specimens. But the schoolboys and schoolgirls of the Victorian era are, no doubt, phenomenal young persons, and I bow to their precocious appreciation of science. Do you remember Chesterfield's exquisitely sareastic compliment to young Master Stanhope on his progress at Westminster School in "Latin and leapfrog, Greek and pitch-farthing"? Notwithstanding all the precocity of "our boys," I very much doubt whether, if put to the vote, hockey would not carry the day over all the "ologies," and whether young master, when he is home for the holidays, would not sooner go to the play than to a scientific lecture.

Ere I dismiss Sheffield from consideration, let me cutreat those who may hastily deem the letter of Mr. John Ruskin, read by Mr. W. Bragge, F.R.G.S., at a dinner given by Mr. Alderman Fisher, to be a mere outburst of capricious spleen and whimsical prejudice, to mark, and endeavour inwardly to digest, the sound and philosophic sense which underlies Mr. Ruskin's depreciation of large museums as repositories of accumulated ugliness, and his denunciations of the hideousness of the "iron capitals of the shafts" in our railway stations. There cannot be the slightest doubt that the general effect of a very huge museum, however well arranged and classified it may be, is to dult the sense of perception, confuse the memory, and perplex the mind. Did you ever spend three hours in the British Museum without having a headache? I never did. On the other hand, it is undeniable that the majority of our railway stations and nearly all the structural adjuncts of railway locomotion and traffic are most dismally ugly and tasteless. The only answer to this is that engineers are usually not artists. If John Flaxman, instead of giving his services to Josiah Wedgwood, had taken an engagement with Boulton and Watt, or if Mr. Ruskin could have been born a generation earlier, so as to have given his inestimable advice to George and Robert Stephenson, our steamengines and our stations might be far handsomer, from an architectural point of view, than is at present the case. There is no reason why, because a thing is meant to be useful, it should not be beautiful as well. The Colossus of Rhodes was only a lighthouse, yet it was likewise a masterpiece of modelling and bronze-work. But only fancy giving symmetry to the shaft of an ironfoundry, or æsthetic proportions to the Buoy at the Nore! What would Mrs. Grundy—or Mr. Gradgrind—say? Ere I dismiss Sheffield from consideration, let me cutreat Gradgrind-say ?

Yet another "refreshing" item there remains to be noted Yet another "refreshing" item there remains to be noted in our actual depressing condition of vapour-bathism. Everybody should read a very graphic, cheery, and practical little book, just published by "Dolphin," of the Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News, telling, in plain but vivid language, of the "Channel Feats of Captain Webb and Captain Boyton"—feats to which must now be added the Greenwich and Blackwall achievements of Miss Beckwith and Miss Parker. I venture, however, to think that the swimming young ladies had in future best confine the exhibition of their prowess to the domestic circle, and utilise their undoubted skill, agility, and courage in gaving private lessons to ladies desirous to acquire courage in giving private lessons to ladies desirous to acquire the art of natation. It is scarcely seemly to read of young girls disporting themselves "in tightly-fitting dresses of pink lama trimmed with white in the muddy waters of the Thames, and in full view of a motley crowd of riverain roughs. Moreover, the detestable betting element seems to be creeping into these professional aquatics, and betting is the amari aliquid which may be guaranteed to embitter the sweetest nectar that

Meanwhile "Dolphin" may be heartily congratulated on the capital summary he has drawn up of the marvellous achievement of Webb, and the most plucky and useful performances of Paul Boyton. "Dolphin," I see, alludes to the description of Cæsar's swimming apparatus, as given by Suetonius. Does not one Shakspeare, too, put into the mouth of Cardinal Wolsey certain sage remarks as to little wanton boys that swim on bladders? There is a much older allusion, likewise, to the Boyton dress in the verses of Lycophron telling of Cardinal Wolsey certain sage remarks as to little wanton boys that swim on bladders? There is a much older allusion, likewise, to the Boyton dress in the verses of Lycophron, telling how Dardanus, in the time of Deucalion's deluge, "having his body wrapped up in skins, inflated as a leathern bottle," swam, with the and of a paddle, from Samothrace to the coast of Troy, where he founded the city of Dardania. I would quote the original Greek, only you would deem that I had copied it from the Anthology. From Lemprière (popularly supposed to be the sole refuge of "popular" writers when they descant on things classical—as though Montfaucon, a much better "crib," had never existed) it is impossible to copy in that particular, since Lemprière says nothing whatever about the swimming feat of Dardanus. After this you may go back to your "Dolphin."

Unfounded rumours have been current as to the intention of Sir Francis Grant to resign the presidency of the Royal Academy of Arts, whose affairs he has so long, so ably, and so gracefully conducted. Sir Francis writes to the Times energetically to contradict a report "which for some time has been

so persistently circulated;" and, for my part, I am delighted to find that the distinguished artist, whose noble portraits form a very libro d'oro of two generations of the British aristocracy, has, for the present, no intention of abdicating. Contemporar art could ill spare Sir Francis Grant, P.R.A. I am glad to se too, that he dates his disclaimer from Melton Mowbray. The looks as though Sir Francis, who is as keen a sportsman as he is a painter, and who, as the Prince of Wales once remarked at an Academy dinner, handles the "brush" (reynard's) as deftly as he does the pencil, were in training for a vigorous autumnal campaign in the hunting-field.

But who is it, I wonder, that puts all these "unfounded rumours" into circulation? My correspondents very frequently ask me, "Why don't you tell us what is going to happen, the latest on dits, and so forth?" My invariable reply is that Davus sum, non Œdipus; that I am unable to guess the day; that I do not know what is going to happen; and that the latest on dits are mainly fables. For a great many years past, before I have put down anything on paper, I have been accustomed to ask myself the question, "Is this true, and how do I know it to be true?" I can imagine the sneer of derision which, among certain good-natured spirits, such a statement on my part may provoke. Being at gine the sneer of derision which, among certain good-natured spirits, such a statement on my part may provoke. Being at a "diplomatic" breakfast at Madrid last spring, an American gentleman was good enough to propose my health, as "the most inventive journalist of the day." I asked him mildly, at a later stage of the entertainment, what he had meant by the epithet "inventive." "Man and dog fight," he replied, with a wink. "Brummy, ch, 'Old Savage.' Very smart. Guess they raised your salary for that." It so happened that when the "Old Savage" made his appearance in print I had been prostrated for months by a grievous malady, which had rendered me totally incapable of writing anything; and that I had never set eyes in my life on the gentleman who had written the account of the problematical encounter at Hanley. But one must take the rough with the smooth. In the Columbian Library at Seville there is a copy of the Travels of Marco Polo, the Venetian, marginally annotated by Christopher Columbus. Opposite one passage the immortal navigator has written the word "Embustero" (liar). Marco Polo was one of the earliest of special correspondents.

#### THE MAGAZINES.

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The chief characteristic of "The Hand of Ethelberta," in the Comhill, is extreme cleverness. Every stroke tells, and the interest never flags for a monent. It is as yet rather felt in the shape of appreciation of the author's talent than of deep sympathy with his personages, but this may be developed in time. "Monsieur Bedeau" is a clever story, but we prefer the old Chinese legend of "The Building of the Bridge," as quaintly and fantastically pretty as any specimen of the Chinese craftsman's art. The classical scholar will note a curious analogy to an occurrence in the legend of Perseus, and the incident of the lost stone and the provision of a substitute resembles one frequent in European tairy tales. Mr. J. A. Symonds contends that the Jupiter of the "Prometheus Unbound" is not represented as an arbitrary despot, and that the ways of God would be fully justified to man if we possessed the entire trilogy. Such a conclusion is certainly in harmony with Hellenic precedent, though it must be admitted that the solution of the problem by the interposition of Hercules would probably have appeared unsatisfactory to a modern reader. Three Swedish poets who have written on "Birds of Passage"—Stagnelius, Tegner, and Runeberg—are the subjects of an interesting biographical sketch. None of them, it is to be hoped, will be judged by the obviously inadequate metrical renderings. Runeberg, a Fin, promises to eclipse the others, and to take rank as the greatest poet of Sweden. "The Planets put in Leverrier's Balance" is an account of that great astronomer's long-continued investigation into the perturbing influences reciprocally exerted by the planetary bodies, an investigation of which the discovery of Neptune was but an episode.

Macmillan has one very important article, Colonel Chesney's reflections on "The Military Future of Germany." The general result of the Colonel's considerations is that Germany is perfectly able to defeat any single enemy, but that it is doubtful whether she is a match for t'rance a The chief characteristic of "The Hand of Ethelberta," in the

doubtful whether she is a match for France and Russia in conjunction; but that even in that case she might very possibly win, unless assailed by Austria also. The blunder of the annexations has rendered a Franco-Russian alliance a highly probable contingency; so that some day Austria, so lately on the verge of ruin, may find herself the arbiter of Europe. Dean Stanley's eulogies of eminent Nonconformists are excellently intended, but look something like building the sepulchres of those whom his fathers slew. However, the Dean is as ready to praise the live Dissenters as the dead ones, and his discourse on Richard Baxter contains some admirable things. discourse on Richard Baxter contains some admirable things. The conclusion of the biographical sketch of Savonarola is elequent and picturesque, and Miss Phillimore's account of Tasso is neat and readable. The first part of "John Knox and his Relations to Women" details the somewhat ludicrous position in which the Reformer found himself when, after having inveighed unsparingly against "the monstrous regimen of women," he discovered that the prospects of the Reformation in England were bound up with the authority of Queen

This month's instalment of "The Dilemma," in Blackwood, This month's instalment of "The Dilemma," in Blackwood, is chiefly devoted to a very spirited description of the siege of Mustaphabad by the sepoy nutineers. The incidents are, no doubt, chiefly derived from experience. The same writer perhaps, enumerates the lessons of the recent summer manœuvres, which he considers to have been most valuable, and pronounces that, except in the important particular of numerical strength, the Army was never in a more efficient condition them it is now. The rest of the contents are light and

numerical strength, the Army was never in a more elicient condition than it is now. The rest of the contents are light and entertaining, including a pleasant sketch of North-West Pembrokeshire, a good critical paper on "Elegies," and another of agreeable chat about books, entitled "My Study Chair."

Fraser has two important serious papers and two lively light ones. An account of the break-up of the Internationale is full of interest, and brings out the inherent defect of practical movements appealing to the support of "advanced thinkers"—that the original promoters are sure to be swamped by the confluence of allies, each intent upon his own crotchet. by the confluence of allies, each intent upon his own crotchet. The writer's own crotchet, that the Communal insurrection was got up by the Ultramontanes and Bonapartists, does not commend itself to our judgment. A trenchant attack on Mr. Green's History of the English People will create a great sensation. Abundance of minor errors are certainly pointed out; but, after all, they are mostly surface blemishes—easily removed—which do not affect the pith of the book. The best

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Mr. Horace White, the American traveller, whose impressions of England are communicated to the readers of the Fortnightly Iterian, might, perhaps, have taken a little longer to make up his mind about us. His views, however, if somewhat superficial, are generally sensible; it would, at least, be ungracious in his English readers to deem otherwise, as he has the lon ceprit to admire almost everything he sees. Mr. Lyall's

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cssay on the origin of divine myths in India is not one to be skimmed. Most deities of the Hindoo Pantheon have been usually explained as originally personifications of natural phenomena. Mr. Lyall, however, whose acquaintance with the subject is derived from intercourse with the people, considers that, in very many instances, they are derived from the apotheosis of actual historical personages, and maintains that the process is still in operation. Many eminent religious teachers in India have undoubtedly been regarded as incarnations of a deity previously acknowledged; it might not be so easy to show that a new object of worship, except among the uncivilised non-Aryan tribes, took its birth with them. Mr. Jenner gives an account of the progress of female medical education at the Swiss Universities, which seems to be regarded as satisfactery, on the whole. It is remarkable, however, that the great majority of those who avail themselves of its benefits should be Russians, a circumstance said to be explained by the great scarcity of trained midwives in their country. The most brilliant paper in the number is the chapter from Mr. Morley's life of Diderot devoted to his gigantic labours as editor of the Encyclopædia. Mr. Morley kindles with the congenial theme, and writes with as much energy as Diderot wrought.

The feature of the Contemporary Review is a triangular duel between three moralists. Professor Clifford lays it down that all duty is social, from which it seems to follow that Robinson Crusce had no duties until he caught Friday. "P. C. W." appears to think that man is exempt from all obligation not imposed upon him by some superior power. Mr. F. Harrison's simple theory of the basis of morality is quite soothing after these rival paradoxes: it is almost verbally identical with that of the Buddhist preacher in Mr. Mitford's "Tales of Old Japan." Mr. Greg preaches the unpalatable, but wholesome and profitable, doctrine that the remission of taxation has gone quite far enough, and that future surpluses ought

subtlety and persuasiveness.

The Month has several interesting papers, including a notice of that very poor creature M. d'Ideville's diplomatic exile at Athens; a memoir of Mazzini, whose great qualities extort the narrator's involuntary respect; an attack on Freemasonry; and an account of the foundation of the Ruthenian branch of the Iteman Catholic Church, with which persecution seems to have had a good deal to do.

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All the World Over issues its first volume complete in a neat
and handsome form, and begins a second with some very
clever contributions, among which the opening of another
premising story by Ambrose Heath and an interesting paper
on Treves deserve especial mention.

Temple Bar, besides its serial stories, has entertaining
biographical sketches of three curiously assorted characters—
Strafford, Jules Janin, and Lauzun. "Smith at Trouville," a
tale of a flirtation with a fair American, is very amusing, but
the humour is somewhat overdone.

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Tinsley puts forward a very good average number. Under the title of "Wills and Bequests," Mr. Sala contributes one of his most amusing flights of extravagance to Belgravia. Mr. Hatton's "True Story of Punch," in London Society, is worthy of Little Pedlington, all the more so for being apparently intended in partial society.

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Good Words has Dean Stanley's fine funeral sermon on Bishop Thirlwall, an interesting and instructive paper or American travel by Principal Tulloch, and a very pleasing memoir of Lady Duff Gordon.

We have also received the Argosy, the New Monthly, All the Year Round, Aunt Judy, the Monthly Packet, Chambers's Journal, and Cassell's Magazine.

The York Herald states that it has been decided that York shall be one of the military centres in connection with the Localisation of the Forces Bill of the late Government. Some months ago the negotiations with the War Office were broken off; but representations have since been made and the question reconsidered, the result being that forty acres of land have been purchased in the parish of Fulford, adjoining the present barracks, and the requisite works will speedily be commenced.

Some time ago a shoemaker was fined by the Skipton magistrates for retusing to have his child vaccinated. Rather than pay the fine he went to prison for twenty-eight days. On his release from gaol last week he was met by several hundred anti-vaccinationists, who greeted him very enthusiastically, formed a procession of carriages with banners and a brass band, marched to a place where a meeting was held, and wound up by burning the committing magistrate in efligy. magistrate in efligy.

The Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief, in a general order respecting good-conduct medals and gratuities, points out how essential it is that every soldier who has gained this honourable recognition of his services should always feel it to be the reward of a long course of irreproachable conduct, and urges upon commanding officers to bear in mind that the best way of perpetuating this sense of the value of the distinction is to content to the one those whose characterist of the tinction is to confer it only on those whose character is of the

Under the provisions of the sixteenth clause of the Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 38 and 39 Vict., c. 63, which is appointed to come into operation on Oct. 1 next, the following regulations have been laid down by the Postmaster-General in regard tions have been laid down by the Postmaster-General in regard to the conveyance and delivery of such articles as are permitted by the Act to be forwarded to duly-appointed analysts as registered letters through the post:—Each packet must be addressed according to the official designation of the analyst, as "Public Analyst" or otherwise, and the nature of its contents must be stated on the front of the packet. Any postmaster at whose office a packet for a public analyst shall be tendered for registration may refuse to accept it for this purpose unless it be packed in so secure a manner as to render it at least unlikely that its contents will escene and injure the pose unless it be packed in so secure a manner as to render it at least unlikely that its contents will escape and injure the correspondence. Liquids for analysis shall be contained in stout bottles or bladders, which shall be inclosed in strong wooden boxes with rounded edges—the boxes being covered by stout wrappers of paper or cloth; and no such packet shall exceed 8 in. in length, 4 in. in width, or 3 in. in depth. No packet whatever addressed to a public analyst shall exceed the dimensions of 18 in. in length, 9 in. in width, or 6 in. in depth. The postege and registration fee on each packet must be prepaid.

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Undonbtedly a great deal of knowledge, though of a superdicial sort and akin to "cram," is to be gathered from the pages of The Life and Growth of Language, by William Dwight Witney (Henry S. King and Co.). It is a work of Transatlantic origin, and it forms a volume of "The International Scientific Series," to which it lays claim to belong in the name of "linguistic science," or, to add to the already appalling number of the "ologies," of "glottology." It must not be supposed that the author is intended to be represented as lying under the very remotest suspicion of being superficial himself, or of desiring to promote the great cause of "cram;" but the apologetic tone which he occasionally feels called upon to adopt on account of the compendious form in which he has been obliged to deal with a voluminous subject scems to point to a misgiving on his own part. For what class of persons the "International Scientific Series" was projected it is impossible, without special information, to say; but the volume under consideration can hardly be regarded as either an elementary treatise for the encouragement of the beginner or an exhaustive handling of the subject for the estification of the dayanced student. For the former it contains, one would be disposed to think, a great deal too much, and for the latter both too much and too little. The author, in fact, seems to dip his hand into the lucky bag of languages and bring out ramples enough to confuse the mere beginner, who probably never so much as heard of them before; whereas, on the other hand, the advanced student would very likely consider than too scenty to be used to any effect for the purposes of generalisation, and would desire that they should be prodigiously multiplied or entirely omitted, together with discursive remarks not wholly germane to the matter. If the object be to illustrate the "hite and growth of language," mingenuous being would imagine that it would suffice to take tout to their source and through their various game and trace them they and their successors have wrought out for him." This sore of statement must, of course, be taken with a pretty large grain of salt; else the shade of Archimedes, to say nothing of anybody clse, may be disturbed. It may be true, but it does not at once commend itself to one's mind, especially when we recollect that in sculpture and in architecture we are nowadays, by almost universal admission, a long way behind the "wisest of the Greeks." Nor can what he says, at p. 291, about deaf-mutes be accepted unhesitatingly; nobody can have watched a conversation, by signs, between deaf-mutes, and heard the curious sounds they make during the process, without fancying that their first inclination is to speak their thoughts. He himself seems to admit that vocal utterance is the most natural expression of mere emotion; and as to that there can be little doubt, for a deaf-mute in a rage will make unearthly noises. Besid es, the old story, handed down from ancient times, of the dumb boy whose tongue-strings were loosened by terror, points, though it is obviously fabulous, to almost immemorial belief, derived from observation, in the natural impulse of the dumb to express at least their emotions in a vocal form. However, on this as well as many other subjects it will be worth while to consult the author's pages.

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A reader's mind is likely to be sent rushing in quite a wrong direction by the title of The Abode of Snow, by Andrew Wilson (William Blackwood and Sons), unless the eye should happen to catch the explanatory sub-title, which holds forth a premise of "observations on a journey from Chinese Tibet to the Indian Caucasus, through the upper valleys of the Himálaya." The fact is that Himálaya, a Sanscrit word, is compounded of two words signifying, respectively, snow or winter, and abode or place; so that the title is sufficiently justified. As to the pronunciation of the Sanscrit word, as well known as Whitechapel to all Englishmen, we are instructed to throw the accent upon the antepenultima, in defance of ignorant usage; and, as a general rule, we are advised to "always reverse the accents" which Englishmen put upon foreign names. Thus prepared, we will accompany the author, less laboriously on paper than by any other method, from the burning plains of India "to the loftiest valleys and almost the highest peaks" of the Himálayan range. Having reached Simla, we will halt whilst the author introduces us to certain celebrities, such as Lord Northbrook, Lord Napier of Magdala, and others, and gives us his o pinion about them, as well as about Simla itself, considered as a sanitarium andas a means of access 'to the interior of the Himála ya and to the dry elevated plains of Central Asia." We shall next learn with what outfit and appliances we are to start from Simla to the Sutlej; and, in the time, we shall perform the distance, having the journey leguiled, perhaps, but hardly enlivened, by dre adful ancedotes of fatal accidents. We shall then be chiefly occupied with the scenery presented by the valley of the Sutlej until we come to the end of the road, "so far as it is a cut road, or, he scenery presented by the valley of the Sutlej until we come to the end of the road, "so far as it is a cut road, or, indeed, a path on which paid labour of any kind is expended." Now comes the tug of travel, and dysentery to make it worse; but "onwards, onwards let us range," and; after accomplishing work that might appal an Alpine clubman and encountering ing work that might appal an Alpine clubman and encountering strange creatures of various sorts, let us pause to consider a "curious and revolting custom which exists all over the country of the Tibetan-speaking people." This is polyandry, which does not mean merely what the term might fairly be supposed to imply, but "must be further limited to the marriage of one weman to two or more brothers," so far as the author could discover. It is said, incredible as it may appear, to be "probably the common marriage custom of at least thirty millions of respectable people." There have been defenders, including, among others, a Moravian missionary, of this practice, as there no doubt would be, if only for the sake of argument, of any other, the missionary describing it, "not as a thing to be approved of in the abstract or tolerated among Christians, but as good for the heathen of so sterile a country." If, however, the heathen became converted, would the country become less sterile, and superabundant population less to be dreaded? And now from the desolate Chinese district, in which we may be supposed to have stopped a while for the purpose of moralising upon the mote stopped a while for the purpose of moralising upon the mote

in the eye of our Tibetan brother, let us pass into "the not less elevated British Himálayan province of Spiti." The elevation, it is presumed, applies to the physical, not to the moral, position. We shall now see some queer rope-bridges, some extraordinary ravines, a solitary apricot-tree, and some ugly women, whom, if old enough, our author is ready to "back against the whole human race for absolute hideousness, so great as to be almost beauty of a kind." Taking "a novel route," we shall in due time reach what our author calls "the valley of glaciers," otherwise the Shigri valley, where we find "the Abode of Snow, and no mistake; for nothing else but snow, glaciers, and rocks were to be seen; and the great ice-serpents crept over into this dread valley as if they were living monsters." This is, of course, a convenient opportunity for contrasting the Alps and the Himálaya; and the conclusion arrived at is that in the latter, incomparably the superior as regards immensity, "there is not the same close union of beauty and grandeur, loveliness and sublimity, which is everywhere to be found over the Alps." We shall next find ourselves in the British province of Lahaul, whence we shall achieve a passage painfully by way of Zanskar and Súrú into "the beautiful Vale of Kashmír," which, according to some traditions, "was formerly the Garden of Eden," and where, according to our author, "the beautiful reality excels the somewhat vague poetic vision which has been associated with the name." But even Eden must be left, even the famous waters of Kashmír must be abandoned, and other regions must be traversed, till we "have only to take the long drive the name." But even Eden must be left, even the famous waters of Kashmir must be abandoned, and other regions must be traversed, till we "have only to take the long drive from Peshawar across the Panjab to Lahore, and to glide from Lahore along the railway to Bombay." And so a wonderful piece of travelling will have been safely accomplished under the guidance of a pleasant, an adventurous, and a determined writer with the assistance of a man stowed away in the book. writer, with the assistance of a map stowed away in the book-cover's side-pocket. The "valley of glaciers," too, may be viewed on the frontispiece; and so, on the opposite page, may a vignette representing a twig-bridge, a precarious-looking object "which crosses the foaming torrent of the Sutlej."

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The adventures encountered during "a year in the wilderness" are supposed to be narrated in the two volumes entitled Lene Life, by Parker Gillmore (Chapman and Hall); and it would be as ungracious as it is unnecessary to question the probability, let alone possibility, of so much having happened under such circumstances in so comparatively short a time. Happily, there are few dates to complicate matters or to arouse a succession of misgivings; such dates as are given are extremely vague. Besides, in good sooth, the author, who is well known as "Ubique," and may, therefore, be presumed to have seen, and heard, and done a great deal in his time, does not fail to eke out his main story with yarn, aneedote, and retrospect. He starts from the very beginning—that is, from Liverpool; and about two months and more than sixty pages have elapsed before we are well on our way to the wilderness not fail to eke out his main story with yarn, aneedote, and retrospect. He starts from the very beginning—that is, from Liverpool; and about two months and more than sixty pages have elapsed before we are well on our way to the wilderness in company with our author, a hired white man, a coloured boy, two dogs, and some Indians, temporarily employed as baggage-carriers. At last the wilderness, somewhere in the neighbourhood of Lake Ontario is reached, and the lite therein is fairly begun. Henceforth there is such a narrative of sporting events, interspersed with more or less lively gossip and, peradventure, with a few moral reflections, as is believed to be singularly well adapted for the requirements of readers addicted to sport. Nor will lovers of natural history find the pages devoid of interest; for the author is not a mere slaughterer of birds, beasts, and fishes, but an intelligent and appreciative observer. He seems to have been remarkably fortunate in the society he encountered in the wilderness, where even a sanguine sojourner could searcely expect two tawny but otherwise bewitching, mischievous, coquettish young ladies, like those whom the author christens Sauey and Patty-plumpy, respectively, to provide him with flittation and also to carry his luggage, "each with a fair man's load on her back," tripping along "towards the wigwams with as much ease and grace as a Regent-street beauty would with nought but her parasol to encumber her." Nor would an ordinary pilgeim in the wilderness so much as dream of falling in with a "graduate of Cambridge" who could boast of having "been living among the Blackfeet Indians for nigh twenty years." Yet our author had this advantage, not during the "year in the wilderness," but on another occasion. The graduate, who was an Englishman, and "a gentleman by birth," had gone into voluntary exile "on account of having accidentally shot his brother," but "few could have detected him from one of the aborigines, so darkened and weather-beaten had lis skin become through exposu tainment may be surmised.

What may we look for in the two volumes entitled Recollections of Colonel De Gonneville, edited from the French by Charlotte M. Yonge (Hurst and Blackett)? Anything in the style of the piquant "Recollections of Captain Gronow?" Well, there is a certain sort of resemblance, but there is also a very great difference; the difference between a serious, continuous autobiographical narrative, interspersed with striking stories and a chatty collection of reminiscences such as might be recalled to the mind of a gallant veteran on those convivial occasions and at those friendly meetings when "old men forge yet all shall be forgot but they'll remember with advan-tages" the memorable deeds and sayings of themselves, and of whosoever was famous in their day. To the former category, it is almost unnecessary to formally state, belongs the "Recol-lections of Colonel De Gonneville," which makes its appearlections of Colonel De Gonneville," which makes its appearance in the literary arena under distinguished patronage and with a considerable flourish of trumpets. It is announced as having been "published," presumably in French, by the colonel's "daughter, the Countess de Mirabeau, with an introductory sketch by General Baron Ambert;" and its English gedmetheris the distinguished, or, at any rate, the very widely admired, author of "The Heir of Redelyffe." A very strong alternate of interest preventes the preventility of Colonel de admired, author of "The Heir of Redelyffe." A very strong element of interest pervades the personality of Colonel de Gouneville; there is the great age at which he died, and there are the peculiar circumstances under which his death took place, for he was old enough to remember the events of 1793, and "the malady that carried him off made its appearance on the very day of the Germans' entry into Nancy," during the late war; there is the fact that, in 1825, he "had married as his

second wife Mademoiselle de Bacourt, sister of M. de Bacourt, Ambassador in the reign of Louis Philippe, and legatee of Prince de Talleyrand's Memoirs;" and there is the statement, as regards the family of M. de Gonneville, that, belouging, as it does, to the oldest nobility of Normandy, it supplied the warrior who "accompanied William the Conqueror to England, and became chief of the ducal house of Northumberland, even now bearing the same arms as the Harivel de Gonnevilles." Add to these interesting particulars the noble character of the Colonel, as vouched for by Baron Ambert in the introductory sketch, and his military career, and he becomes a personage whose memoirs it is almost a duty to recommend to the notice of English readers. One ameedote, at p. 103 of the first volume, may be put at the service of "Ouida," whose critics are constantly assailing her for her tendency to represent impossibilities in the way of physical prowess. We read of an "orderly" who "one day took upon himself to smoke, and the Count told him to leave off. The orderly, who was a tall grenadier, made an impertinent answer; but it had hardly left his lips when his pipe was broken on his bleeding face; he was seized, lifted up like a child, and thrown, quite stunned, across the table where he had been sitting, by Kuminski." Now, this Kuminski, a Polish count, "was small, very well made, had a pretty figure, and was excessively powerful." He does not seem to have been addicted to curaçoa-punch; else the whole seene might have been taken from the pages of "Ouida." A malignant critic might, perhaps, reply that he would like to see the original French, as regards Kuminski, and satisfy himself whether for "small" you might not read "short," and for "pretty" figure substitute "fine" figure (belle taille), so that you would have such a man, with the exception of the bandy legs, as the famous "Harry Smith of the Wynd," who "fought for his own hand," and who was more rowerful than the most stalwart Highlander. It would be too strong an expres aimy, as well as in another nearer home, "more honour than honours" may be the lot of the most describing veteran. Of the Colonel's objects in writing his memoirs one was "to describe a military career, and to add the picture of its inseparable miseries to its attractions;" and that object has been inly effected. If the youthful imagination were likely to be deterrently impressed, that result might be attained by the picture drawn at p. 49, vol. i., of a field of battle: "It was literally covered with the dead, which, in spite of the shrinking of our horses, they were obliged to tread under foot. We halted every moment, and in a hollow road where we stopped, besides the corpses beneath my horse's feet, there were others on the hedges on each side, so close to me that I could have touched them. They were perfectly naked, and their hideous wounds visible; those at the bottom of the road had been mutilated and crushed by the wheels of the artillery. Their hair generally stood on end, and their faces were dreadful. . . . This was entirely beside the notions I had given myself of the honours paid to the brave who had fallen on the field of battle." But youthful imagination is not to be deterred from war, anymore than it is from sin, by pictures of the dreadful consequences: what is required is to open the blind eyes so that they may see beforehand how much more glorious is peace than war, how much more beautiful is virtue than vice; and the moral oculist finds great difficulty in performing that operation and the moral oculist finds great difficulty in performing that operation.

The enthusiastic angler who writes the picturesque and interesting papers on fishing in the Gentleman's Magazine has done well to reissue them in the form of a book. "Red Spinner's" welcome "Waterside Sketches" have just that hearty Waltonian smack about them that makes them particularly acceptable in the holiday seasons—acceptable to those fortunate ones in the country, or at the seaside—for the suggestions of beauty which this keen lover of nature offers them in his bright and retreshing pages; and still more acceptable to the less fortunate toilers in town, who may in fancy enjoy the babbling brook and rushing river through the medium of "Red Spinner's" pictures in pen and ink. A drawing illustrating the sentimental side of angling forms a suitable frontispiece to Mr. William Senior's "Waterside Sketches," the publishers of which are Messrs. Grant and Co. The enthusiastic angler who writes the picturesque and

#### TRADE MARKS.

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One of the last Acts passed in the recent Session was to establish a Register of Trade Marks, under the superintendence of the Commissioners of Patents, and from and after July I next a person is not to be entitled to institute any proceeding to prevent the infringement of any trade marks as defined by the Act until and unless such trade mark is registered. An office is to be established, not later than Jan. I next, in such manner and with such officers and at such salaries, to be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament, as the Lord Chancellor may, with the consent of the Treasury, direct; and the Lord Chancellor may from time to time, with the assent of the Treasury as to fees, make, and when made alter, annul, or vary such general rules as to the registry of trade marks, and as to notice to be given by advertisement before the registration, and as to the registration of first and subsequent proprietors, and as to other matters deemed necessary to carry into effect the new law. A trade mark is to consist of the pame of an individual or firm, printed, impressed, or woven in some particular and distinctive manner, or a written signature or copy of an individual or firm, or a distinctive device, mark, heading, label, or ticket. A trade mark must be registered as belonging to particular goods or classes of goods, and when registered is to be assigned and transmitted only in connection with the goodwill of the business concerned in such particular goods or classes of goods, and be mitted only in connection with the goodwill of the business concerned in such particular goods or classes of goods, and be determinable with such goodwill; but, as stated, the registra-tion of a trade mark is to be deemed to be equivalent to the public use of such mark. The register may be rectified, and public use of such mark. The register may be rectified, and a certificate of the Registrar is to be evidence. There are eleven provisions in the Act, and the general rules to be made will simplify the mode of procedure as to trade marks.

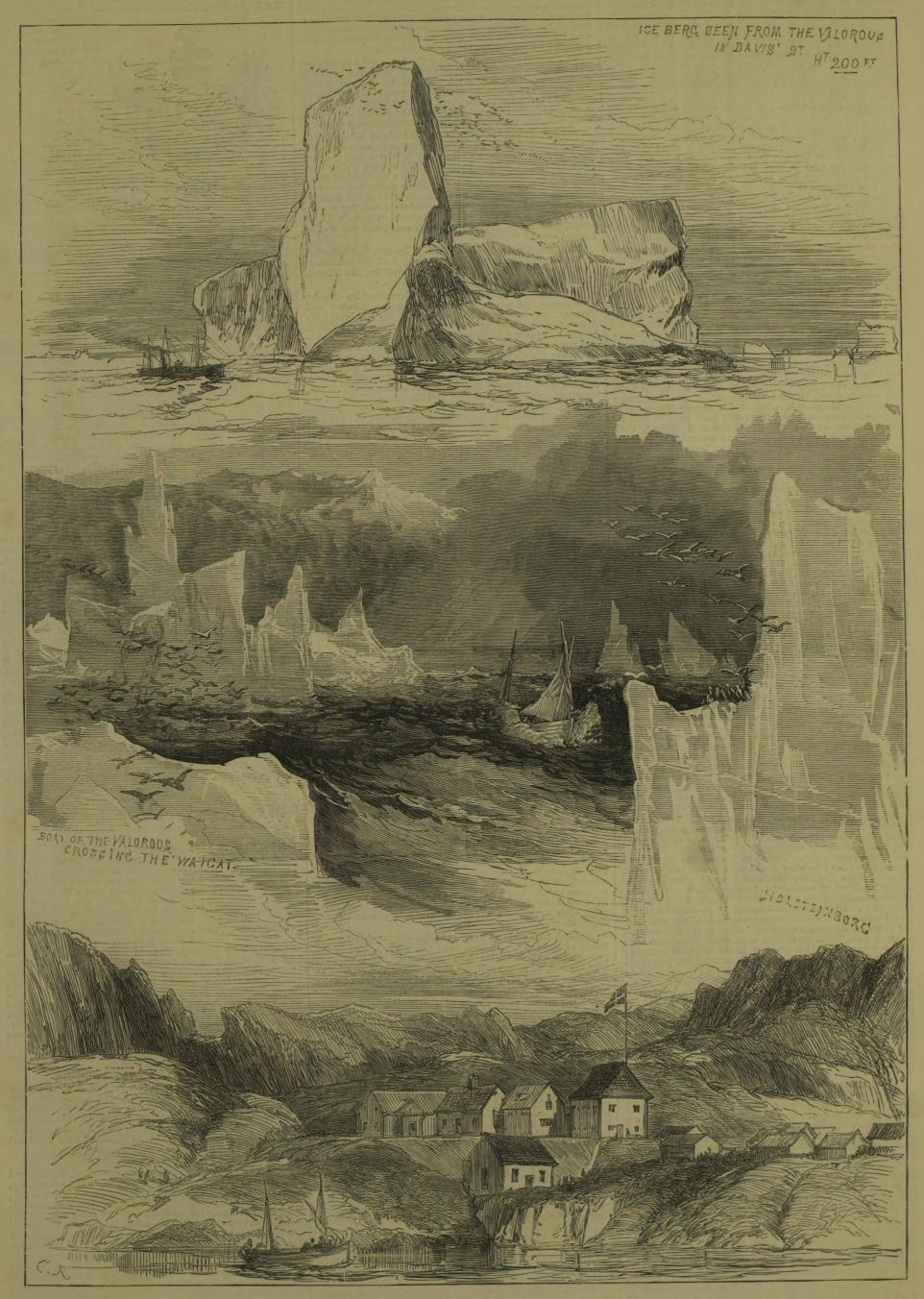
At a full-dress parade of the 47th Regiment at Aldershott last week Colonel Lowry, C.B., who has commanded the corps for thirteen years, bade it farewell. In addressing the regiment he said he believed every change that had been effected in the Army for six years past had added to the comfort of the soldier and the efficiency of the Army.

Shortly after the death of the late Mr. John Candlish, M.P. Shortly after the death of the late Mr. John Candlish, M.P. for Sunderland, it was resolved at a public meeting that steps should be taken to perpetuate his memory by the erection of some suitable public memorial. That memorial it was agreed should take the form of a colossal statue. The work was given to Mr. Bacon, of Sloane-street, who completed the full-sized model in the spring of the year, and it has been cast in bronze at the foundry of Messrs. Young and Co., at Pimlico. The statue will be erected in Sunderland Park next month.



THE ALERT TOWING THE DISCOVERY THROUGH ICEBERGS: THE HIGH LAND OF DISCO IN THE BACKGROUND.

FROM A SKETCH BY AN OFFICER OF THE VALOROUS.



THE ARCTIC EXPEDITION.

#### THE VOLUNTEERS.

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The provisional battalion of volunteers under Colonel Ommanney, consisting of about 200 men of the 2nd Surrey Administrative Battalion and sixty men of the 1st Cornwall Administrative Battalion, arrived at Aldershott on Saturday, the 28th ult., and took over the camp at Rushmoor. The following is a list of the officers of the battalion:—Colonel Ommanney, Major Arnold, Major Bull, Captain Styau (acting quartermaster), Captain Alt, Captain Elliott, Lieutenants Western, Neville Anderson, Mitchell, Vowles, Fourdrinier, G. A. Smith, A. H. Smith, and Rosewarne. On Monday the provisional battalion was inspected on Rushmoor by Major-General Primrose, to whose brigade they are attached. On the arrival of the General, about eleven a.m., he was received with the customary salute, the line then breaking into open column and marching past in that formation, afterwards in close column, and subsequently at the double. They then formed line and advanced in good order, when the command was given to form square. After re-forming line, changing front, and forming company squares, Major-General Primrose expressed himself highly satisfied with the appearance and drill of the men. For the remainder of the week the volunteers performed their duties with the brigade to which they were attached, and returned home on Saturday, much improved by their week's hard work. During the time the volunteers have been doing duty at Aldershott they have gained golden opinions from all ranks of the regular forces by the thoroughly military manner in which they have carried out the work they have been called on to do.

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The annual competition for the Lambert challenge cup, held by the left wing of the Queen's (Westminster), took place on Tuesday week, at Wormwood-scrubbs, between six representatives from each of the four companies entitled to shoot—viz., G, I, L, and M. The I company won the cup, G company were second, and M company third. The drinking-horn given annually was taken by Private Collings.

The first annual prize meeting of the Post-Office Rifle Association took place, on Wednesday week, at the Tottenham range. The following is a list of the principal winners:—Aggregate prizes—Sergeant H. Smith, Civil Service; Colour-Sergeant Newlyn, Civil Service; Lieutenant Mitford, Civil Service. Range prizes, 200 yards:—Private Bennett, 49th Middlesex; Sergeant Dwane, 49th Middlesex. 500 yards: Sergeant Newlyn, Civil Service; Private C. W. Potter, Civil Service. 600 yards: Colour-Sergeant Barker, 49th Middlesex; Sergeant H. Smith. Civil Service. H. Smith, Civil Service.

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The annual prize meeting of the London Brigade at Rainham was brought to a close yesterday week, after having occupied a week. Many valuable prizes are contributed by the various City companies, and the following is the result of the principal competitions, giving the chief winners. The shooting began on Saturday, the 28th ult., for the first stage of the aggregates, and was resumed and concluded on the following Monday. £15 15s., Private MDougall; £10 10s., Privates Smith, Wyatt, Saw, Howkius, Hayes, and Runtz; £77s., Private Fletcher. The company silver medal winners are: A, Private Lacey; D, Private MDougall; £, Private Saw; F, Corporal Mardell; G, Private Hood; H, Private H. Smith; K, Private Watts; N, Sergeant Preston; O, Private Howkins; P, Private W. S. Smith; and Q, Private Fletcher. Private Hood and Private MDougall, having made the highest scores in the first stage, take the extra prizes—viz., £55s., and a dressing-case. On Monday, the only other event decided was the any rifle match. The highest scorers were Sergeant Poulter and Private Hamerton. On Tuesday the skirmishing contests were held. The first was for a cop, value £21 5s., and the entrance fees. The highest scorers were Private Page, Corporal Cuthbert, and Private Adams. The second series was for two prizes, value £10 10s. and £55s., and the highest scorers were Q. M. S. Stuckey and Private Page. On Wednesday the competitions were decided as follow:—No. 5 competition: first prize, £8 8s.; second prize, £4 8s.; third prize, entrance money—Private Hayes, Sergeant Smallman, Corporal Mardell. No. 6 competition, the Cripplegate Ward challenge trophy; first prize, the challenge trophy, with £10 10s., won by Corporal Mardell. No. 7 competition: first prize, colonel Ward's cup, value £15—Corporal Mardell. No. 9 competition if st prize, entrance money—Private Hayes, Sergeant Smallman, Corporal Mardell. No. the ensuing year.

The 1st Sussex Artillery held their annual carbine competition at Sheepcote Valley range on Saturday last. The amount of prizes offered was £120, for which 109 men competed. There were four competitions—two at 200 yards, seven shots each; one at 300 yards, seven shots each; and one at 400 yards, seven shots each; one at 300 yards, seven shots each; and one at 400 yards, seven shots each. The first three winners in the first competition were Gunner Barnard, 26 points; Corporal Peggs, 26; Gunner Arris, 25 points. In the second competition Battery Sergeant-Major Hilton, 26; Gunner Lindfriend, 25; Gunner Durrant, 24. In the third competition, Sergeant Carpenter, 23; Sergeant-Major Potter, 23; Gunner Budger, 23. In the fourth competition, Davey, 26; Gunner Budger, 25. Forty-six prizes were offered in the law competition.

A match between fifty men of the Queen's (Westminster) and an equal number of the 1st Hants Administrative Battalion took place at Winchester on Saturday last. The former won by 126 points, having made the highest score on record in any match of anything like equal proportions. The respective numbers of points made were 2931 and 2855.

The Pembrokeshire Rifles, consisting of the 1st Haverfordwest, 1st and 2nd Pembroke, 1st Cardigan, and 1st, 2nd, and

5th Carmarthen Corps, under command of Major Stokes, were inspected, on Monday week, by Colonel Redmond, C.B., commanding the 24th Brigade Dépôt at Haverfordwest. The inspection state was as follows:—Officers, 23; sergeants, 45; band and buglers, 44; rank and file, 639; staff, 7—making a total of 758. After marching past several battalion movements were performed with great precision, and the inspecting officer expressed his satisfaction at what he had seen.

The annual prize competition of the Oxfordshire association took place, on Monday week, at Oxford. Sergeant Webb, of the Oxford City Rifles, won the National Association's bronze medal and £15 given by the county association; Corporal Jones, of Henley-on-Thames, took the second prize of £10 in the same competition; Colonel Noilt's prize of £10 fell to Sergeant Webb also, who therefore, in addition to the medal, won £25.

The annual prize meeting of the 2nd Isle of Wight (New-The annual prize meeting of the 2nd Isle of Wight (Newport) Volunteers was held at Parkhurst Range, near Newport, on Monday week. The shooting was in two series, the first being decided on the merits, and in the second points were added for attendance at drill. There were thirty-eight prizes offered for competition, the first of which in the first series—a challenge vase, presented by the corporation of the borough of Newport, with a valuable prize added by the Mayor—was won by Sergeant W. Arnell. A challenge vase, with £5 5s. added, was the first prize in the second series, and was won by Lance-Corporal W. Organ.

A dinner, given to the 1st Suffolk, at Ipswich, last Saturday, by Mr. Edward Packard, was attended by J. C. Cobbold, Esq., high steward of the borough, Mr. Chevallier, the Mayor, Captain Alderson, and many other gentlemen.

The annual prize meeting of the Worcestershire County Rifle Association was held at Hartlebury on Monday and Tuesday, last week. The bronze medal of the National Rifle Tuesday, last week. The bronze medal of the National Rifle Association was won by Private T. Whitemore, 7th W.R.V. In other series the following were the principal winners:—Seven shots at 200 yards—£5, Sergeant F. Pugh; £4, Private Husband; £3, Colour-Sergeant Jeff; £2, Surgeon Grewcock. Seven shots at 500 yards—£5, Private Middleton; £4, Private S. Hackett; £3, Private J. O'Neil. Seven shots at 200, 500, and 600 yards—Private Middleton, Lance-Corporal T. Bond, Quartermaster-Sergeant Bragg, and Captain A. Webb. In a company competition with ten men each the first prize was taken by the 1st Worcester, the 8th being second, and the 18th taken by the 1st Worcester, the 8th being second, and the 18th third. In the Association prizes Private Hackett and Surgeon Grewcock were first and second with 56 points each, and the Yeomanry and Artillery prizes were won respectively by Corporal Woodward and Sergeant-Major Davis.

At the Sandwell Park range the 3rd Staffordshire Administrative Battalion held their annual prize meeting. The principal winners were as follow:—£5, Private Woodward; £4, Sergeant Weatherby; £3, Corporal Thomas. Range prizes were taken by Sergeant Lakin, Corporal Thomas, and Lance-Corporal Ault.

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On Monday and Tuesday last week, at Halifax, the 4th West York held their annual competition. The company prizes and medals were won by Corporal Taylor, Corporal Musther, Colour-Sergeant Hannay, Corporal Atkinson, Sergeant Robinson, and Corporal Tong. The principal winners of battalion prizes were as follow:—£8, Private Berwick; £7, Sergeant Quigley; £5, Private Baxendale. Ladies' prizes: £5, Colour-Sergeant Payne. Townsmen's Challenge Cup and £3, Corporal Tong; £5, Colour-Sergeant Greenwood. A silver cup was won by Corporal Tong; and the Brewers' Challenge Cup, with £5 added, by Private Mitchell. The Mayor's Cup was won by Private Browne, and the Borough Members' prize by Private Stewart.

On Tuesday week, at Altcar, a match took place between teams of twenty-four men each of Lancashire volunteers, composed respectively of men who had served fourteen years and upwards and seven years and under. The result was that the old hands won by 43 points, scoring 1499, against 1456 made by their juniors.—On the same day the Altcar morning challenge cup was won by Lieutenant Joynson, 1st L.E.V.

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The annual inspection of the first Newcastle Engineer Volunteers took place in the Cricket Field, Bath-road, Newcastle. The inspecting officer was Major Newsome, R.E. Major Newsome rode down the ranks and inspected the equipment, &c., of the men; and afterwards Captain Commandant Charles Palmer put the corps through the manual and firing exercises, which were well and smartly executed. After a most exhaustive drill and searching examination, the corps was formed up and marched back to the drill-shed. During the day Major Newsome inspected the field works, &c., erected during the past few months by the corps, consisting of a sunken battery, hasty intrenchments, and rifle-pits. Generally, from the substantial appearance of the works thrown up, it was evident that the practical knowledge of the corps was of no mean order. The inspecting officer expressed to Captain Palmer his satisfaction with what he had seen, the smart and soldier-like appearance of the men meeting with special approval.

A match took place on the Cambuslang Rifle Range beween teams of seventeen sergeants from the 31st Lanark Rifles and the second battalion 13th Regiment. The regulars used the Martini Henry and the volunteers the Snider. The volunteers won by 127 points, scoring 858 against 731 of their antagonists.

At the annual mess dinner of the Dumbartonshire Rifle Volunteers—Colonel Findlay, of Easterhill, presiding—the officers and their friends assembled to the number of about 120. After dinner the following gentlemen presented to the battalion the cups:—Mr. Humphrey Ewing Crum-Ewing, of Strathleven, Lord Lieutenant of Dumbartonshire, cup, value 50 gs., for shooting; Mr. Archibald Orr Ewing, member for the county, cup, value 100 gs., for the best-drilled company; Mr. Peter Denny, Helenslee, cup, value 100 gs., for shooting; and Mr. J. W. Burns, Kilmahew, cup, value 50 gs., for the best appearance at inspection. In presenting these cups, the donors all intimated their willingness to replace them when they had been won on the conditions laid down—viz., two years, not necessarily in succession. The winners of the cups this year are:—Lord Lieutenant's Cup: 5th Corps (Alexandria), Captain Turnbull. Member's Cup: 5th Corps (Alexandria), Captain Calder. Mr. Denny's Cup: 13th Corps (Milngavie), Captain Turnbull. Mr. Burns's Cup: 13th Corps (Milngavie), Captain Turnbull. Mr. Burns's Cup: 13th Corps (Kirkintilloch), Captain Findlay. Colonel Findlay was presented during the evening by Major Dennistoun, on behalf of the officers, honorary members, non-commissioned officers, and men of the battalion, with a lifesize portrait of himself and favourite charger, as a mark of their esteem for him. The likeness, which is an excellent one, is by Mr. A. Glasgow, London. At the annual mess dinner of the Dumbartonshire Rifle

An important discovery of coal has been made on the estate of the Cannock and Huntingdon Colliery Company.

#### OBITUARY OF EMINENT PERSONS.

LORD GRANTLEY



The Right Hon. Fletcher Norton, Lord Grantley, Baron of Markenfield, in the county of York, and High Steward of Allerton and Guildford, F.S.A. and F.H.S., J.P. and D.L., died. on the 28th ult., at his seat, Wonersh Park, near Guildford. His July 14, 1798, the eldest son of the Hon.

July 14, 1793, the eldest son of the Hon. Fletcher Norton, a Baron of the Exchequer in Scotland, by his wife. Caroline Elizabeth, only daughter of James Balmain, Esq., and was grandson of Fletcher, first Lord Grantley, for several years Speaker of the House of Commons. Lord Grantley, whose decease we record, was educated at Sandhurst and served in the Grenadier Guards. He was present at Quatre Bras and Waterloo (where he was wounded), and led a storming party at Peronne. He succeeded his uncle, as third Lord Grantley, Nov. 12, 1822, and married, July 26, 1825, Charlotte Earle, youngest daughter of the late Sir William Beechey, but had no issue. The title consequently devolves on his nephew, Thomas Brinsley Norton, now fourth Lord Grantley, only surviving son of the late Hon. George Chapple Norton, Recorder of Guildford, and for many years a magistrate at the Lambeth Police Court, by Caroline Elizabeth Sarah Sheridan, his wife (the distinguished novelist), grand-daughter of the Right Hon. Richard Brinsley Sheridan. The present Lord Grantley was born Nov. 14, 1831, and married, at Florence, Aug. 1, 1854, Maria Chiara Elisa Federigo, of the Island of Capri, Italy, by whom he has issue. (We have engraved a portrait of the late Lord Grantley, from a photograph by Maull and Co.)

SIR R. B. WILLIAMS-BULKELEY, BART.

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Sir Richard Bulkeley Williams-Bulkeley, tenth Baronet, of Penrhyn, in the county of Carnarvon, died at Baron Hill, his fine seat near Beaumaris, on the 28th ult. He was born Sept. 23, 1801, the eldest son of Sir Robert Williams, ninth Baronet, by Anne, his wife, daughter of the Rev. Edward Hughes, of Kinmel Park, Denbirhshire, and was grandson of Sir

by Anne, his wife, daughter of the Rev. Edward Hughes, of Kinmel Park, Denbighshire, and was grandson of Sir Hugh Williams, eighth Baronet, by Emma, Viseountess Dowager Bulkeley, his wife, only daughter and heiress of Thomas Rowlands, Esq., of Nant. The Cambrian family of which he was a descendant is one of the most ancient and distinguished in Wales. Sir Richard, who succeeded his father, Dee. 1, 1830, who succeeded his father, Dee. 1, 1830, who succeeded his father, Dee. 1, 1830, who succeeded his father poer of the property of Viscount Bulkeley. He married, first, May 27, 1828, Charlotte Mary, daughter of William Lewis Hughes, Esq., of Kinmel Park (afterwards Lord Dinorben), but by her (who died May 11, 1829) he had no issue. He married, secondly, Aug. 20, 1832, Maria Frances, only daughter of Sir Thomas Massey Stanley, Bart., of Hooton, by whom he leaves three surviving sons, the eldest being now Sir Richard Mostyn Lewis Williams-Bulkeley, eleventh Baronet, of Penrhyn, late Captain Royal Horse Guards (Blue). The late Sir Richard was Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the county of Carnarvon from 1851 to 1866, and served as High Sheriff of Anglesey, 1870. He was M.P. for Beaumaris, 1830 to 1833; for Anglesey, 1833 to 1837; for Flint, 1841 to 1847; and again for Anglesey, 1847 to 1868. The late Captain Robert Williams, so long associated with the Viceregal Court of Dublin, was a younger brother of Sir Richard. younger brother of Sir Richard.

SIR GLYNNE E. WELBY-GREGORY, BART.



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Sir Glynne Earle Welby-Gregory, third Baronet of Denton, in the county of Lincoln, J.P. and D.L., died, on the 23rd ult., at Denton Hall, near Grantham. He was born June 26, 1806, the eldest son of Sir William Earle Welby, second Baronet, M.P., by Wilhelmina, his wife, only daughter and heiress of William Spry, Esq., Governor of Barbadoes, and was grandson of Sir William Earle Welby, M.P., of Denton (the descendant of a very old Lincolnshire family), on whom a baronetcy was conferred in 1801. Sir Glynne succeeded his father Nov. 3, 1852, and in 1861 took by Royal license the additional surname and arms of Gregory, in compliance with the testamentary injunction of Gregory Gregory, Esq., of Harlaxton. He married, March 6, 1828, Frances, youngest daughter of the late Sir Montague Cholmeley, Bart., of Easton, and leaves a large family, the eldest son being now Sir William Earle Welby, fourth Baronet of Denton, M.P. for South Lincolnshire, born in 1829, who is married to the Hon. Victoria Alexandrina. Wortley, only daughter of the Hon. Charles Stuart Wortley, and has issue. The late Baronet, who was educated at Rugby, and Oriel College, Oxford, sat in Parliament for Grantham from 1830 to 1857. He served as High Sheriff of Lincolnshire in 1860, and was for a time Lieutenant-Colonel of the South Lincolnshire Militia.

THE COUNTESS OF BUCHAN. Lincolnshire Militia.

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The Right Hon. Agnes Graham, Countess of Buchan, died on the 2nd inst., at 107, Belgrave-road, aged forty-eight. Her Ladyship was daughter of the late James Smith, Esq., of Craigend, Stirlingshire; was married, April 27, 1849, to David Stuart Erskine, present Earl of Buchan, and leaves issue two-sons, Shipley Gordon Stuart, Lord Cardross, born 1850, and Albany Mar Stuart, born 1852.

GENERAL HALL.

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Henry Hall, Esq., of Merville, in the county of Dublin, and Knockbrack, in the county of Galway, General in the Army, C.B., J.P., who died at his seat, near Dublin, on the 21st ult, gained his military distinction in India. He was born Sept. 11, 1789, entered the Army in 1804, and saw much service; the most important work he accomplished being the reduction of the Mairs, a wild and warlike race. He became successively Commissioner, Superintendent, and Governor of Mairwarra; and succeeded, by his kindness, justice, and firmness, in transforming the worst tribe of India into the best. In 1838 he received the insignia of C.B. General Hall was second son of the Ven. Francis Hall, LL.D., Archdeacon of Kilmacduagh. He married, Oct. 3, 1827, Sarah, eldest daughter of the late General Fagan, Adjutant-General of the Bengal Army.

MR. WILSON, M.P.

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Fuller Maitland Wilson, Esq., of Stowlangtoft Hall, Suffolk, Lieutenant-Colonel of the West Suffolk Militia, J.P., recently-elected M.P. for West Suffolk, died, on the 4th inst., at his seat near Bury St. Edmunds. He was born Aug. 27, 1825, the eldest son of the late Henry Wilson, Esq., of Stowlangtoft Hall, also M.P. for West Suffolk, by Mary Fuller, his first wife, eldest daughter of Ebenezer Fuller Maitland, Esq., of Park Place, Henley-on-Thames, and was grandson of Joseph Wilson, Esq., of Highbury-hill, Middlesex, who purchased the estate, manor, and living of Stowlangtoft. Colonel Wilson was educated at Eton, and Christ Church, Oxford, where he graduated in 1847, and took his M.A. degree in 1850. He served as High Sheriff of Suffolk in 1853, and was returned to Parliament for the western division of that county in June last. He married, April 20, 1852, Agnes Caroline, daughter of the Right Hon. Sir R. T. Kindersley, by whom he leaves issue.

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Henry Master Feilden, Esq., of Witton Park, J.P., D.L., hon.
Lieutenant-Colonel of the 1st (Royal) Lancashire Militia, lord
of the manor of Blackburn, and M.P. for that town since 1869,
whose death is just announced, was born in 1818, the eldest
con of the late Joseph Feilden, Esq., of Witton Park, also M.P.
for Blackburn, by Frances Mary, his wife, daughter of the Rev.
Streynsham Master, Rector of Croston. He married, first,
June 27, 1843, Caroline, daughter of Sir Oswald Mosley, Bart.,
and, secondly, 1864, Hannah, daughter of the late Mr. John
Fox, of Haverigg. As he leaves no male issue, his next
trother, Colonel Randle Joseph Feilden, late 60th Rifles,
becomes heir-male of the family of Feilden of Witton, which
clams to be of the same origin as the noble house of Denbigh. clams to be of the same origin as the noble house of Denbigh.

The deaths are also announced of Lady Townshend Farquhar, at Grasmere, in her eighty-third year; of Lady Isabella St. John, at Hampton Court Palace, aged eighty-three, the last survivor of the large family of the fourth Duke of Grafton; of the Dowager Lady Clinton, who was for some years a Lady of the Bedchamber to Queen Adelaide; of the Hon. Margaret Alice Drummond, second daughter of Viscount Strathallan, aged thirty-three; of Sophia (nee Dubouchet), Dowager Lady Berwick, widow of Thomas Noel, second Lord Berwick, who died at Leamington, on the 29th ult., aged eighty-one; of Robert James Chaplin, Esq., formerly of Forest-hill, J.P. for Kent and D.L. for London, who died at his residence, Beechwood, Deal, on the 28th ult., in his sixty-ninth year; of Sir Thomas Macdonald Miller, Bart., which occurred at Folkestone on Saturday last, at the early age of twenty-nine years; and of Sir George Dunbar, Bart., at Ackergill Tower, Wick, in his seventy-eighth year. The deaths are also announced of Lady Townshend Farquhar,

#### THE CHURCH CONGRESS OF 1875.

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The arrangements for the annual Church Congress, which will be held this year at Stoke-on-Trent, have been completed, and it will be opened on Tuesday, Oct. 5, with sermons by the Bishop of Rochester and the Bishop of Ontario.

After service the meeting will adjourn to the Congress Hall, where the Bishop of Lichfield, the president for the year, will deliver the inaugural address.

The following will be the principal subjects discussed, with the names of the leading speakers:—Tuesday, Oct. 5, "Communion between Home and Colonial Churches," Bishop of Edinburgh, Bishop of Melbourne, Professor Salmon: "Drunkenness," Sir Harcourt Johnstone, Bart., M.P.; the Rev. Basil Wilberforce, Sir Wifred Lawson, Bart., M.P.; the Rev. Basil Wilberforce, Sir Wifred Lawson, Bart., M.P.; "Women's Work in the Church," the Rev. J. T. Catre (Clewer), Canon Gore; "Charity Organisation and Destitute Children," Mr. Henry Longley, the Rev. J. F. Kitto (Whitechapel), Mr. C. P. Bosanquet.

Oct. 6, "Religious Education in Elementary Schools and Board Schools," Mr. Hugh Birley, M.P., the Rev. W. J. Kennedy, the Earl of Harrowby; "Missions and Missionary Bishoprics," the Rev. Dr. Maclear, the Rev. H. Rowley, the Rev. T. Valpy French; "The Popular Arguments of Unbelief," Archdeacon Perchel, the Rev. R. Maguire, Mr. R. H. Hutton; "Free and Open Churches," the Earl of Shrewsbury, the Dean of York, Sir T. P. Heywood; "Ecclesiastical Dilapidations," Archdeacon Emery, Rev. Dr. Massingham; "Funeral Reform," Rev. Dr. Collis, Rev. Prebendary Davies; "Church Work among Beatmen," Canon Barclay, Mr. G. Smith.

Oct. 7. "Lay Agency," the Bishop of Carlisle, Mr. Salt, M.P., Rev. Canon How; "Revival Movements," Rev. R. Twigg, Rev. J. Oakley, Rev. R. M. Greer, Rev. W. T. Paton; "Recent Explorations in Bible Lands," Rev. Canon Tristram, Professor Palmer, Rev. Canon George Williams; "Instruction in Universities and Higher Schools," Rev. E. H. Perowne, D.D., Rev. W. Ince, Rev. Canon George Williams; "Instruction in Universities and H

Last Saturday the Speaker gave his harvest home at his Glynde estate. The right hon. gentleman is on the Continent, and the chair was taken by his son, Lieutenant T. Brand, R.N. Not only the labourers on the farm assembled at the festive board, but the school children also partook of dinner. Mrs. Thomas, daughter of the Speaker, together with the Misses de St. Croix, daughters of the Vicar, attended to their wants. The afternoon was spent in a variety of sports.

The annual feast of the Sheffleld Cutlers' Company took place on Thursday week. In the morning the members attended Divine service at the parish church, and afterwards went in procession to the Townhall, where the Master Cutler elect, Mr. Alderman Tozer, managing director of Sanderson Brothers and Co. (Limited), was sworn in in the usual way. The principal guests at the Cutlers' feast in the evening were the Duke of Norfolk, Lord Wharncliffe, Mr. Roebuck, M.P., and the Hon. John Hall, of the New Zealand Legislature. Alderman Tozer presided. In reply to the toast of the neighbouring nobility, the Duke of Norfolk spoke. Lord Wharncliffe responded for the House of Lords. The toast of the House of Commons called forth speeches from Mr. Starkey and Mr. Roebuck, the latter of whom made a spirited defence of the House of Commons and personally defended himself from the charge of political inconsistency. The measures he advocated when he began his career he had seen accomplished, and he was satisfied. The annual feast of the Sheffield Cutlers' Company took

#### CHESS.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

All communications relating to this department of the Paper should be addressed to the Editor, and have the world "Chess" written on the envelope.

A E STUDD, F H B, G J SLATER, E P O'B, J M M.—Accept our best thanks for the problems, which shall have prompt attention.

THE WHITE HART.—Black's first move was obviously a misprint for 1. Kt to K 5th, after which all is plain saling.

HEBUY.—But what if Black play 1. P takes P?

JB A H G, Wigmore-street, N S M.—Problem No. 1644 cannot be solved by I. P takes Q-Lock at the position again.

ELTON AV the position again.

ELTON HALL.—You are very wide of the mark.

F G.—Problem No. 1645 cannot be solved by I. Q to Q B 3rd.

KEYSER V. N.—There is no solution by I. Q takes Kt.

HINNER.—Black's first move should be Kt to K 5th. not K to K 5th, as you suggest. If White then move 2, Q to Q Kt 3rd he must inevitably force mate next move, as a little examination will show

In the examination will show that come to hand.

M.—Will you kindly favour us with a duplicate copy of a problem you sent us some time ago. The adhesive pieces have become detached, and we cannot make out the position. The first move was K to Q sq. tw S.—We really know nothing of the new West-End Chess Club, except that it is in a tair way of being started.

in a fair way of being started.

A E S.—We will look up the problems referred to. We are afraid, however, they were put saide as not being quite up to our standard.

INCUINER.—The British Chess Association is, we fear, both defunct and insolvent.

CH R.—A letter addressed to Simpson's Divan will, doubtless, find him.

Medicus.—The key move is 1. Q to R 5th, followed, if Black move his King, by 2. Pto Q ith (ch). If Black play 1. Pto Kt 5th, White replies with 2. K to Kt sq.

F W Lond.—If you will furnish us with an unequivocal contradiction to the state ment, which we had ou the authority of one of the sub-committee, we shall be happy to insert it; but you cannot expect us to publish such a half-hearted denial as that contained in your letter.

PROBLEM NO. 1614—Additional correct solutions received from A J L. Edme Simont, W F Payne, S E Tomkins, Latta, A J H. Miss Jane D, Emile F, Fronsac Baz, H Weddon, Paris, W F H, Pelen, W H B, R W S, A Chatterton, R F, J A S, J W W, J Pearson.

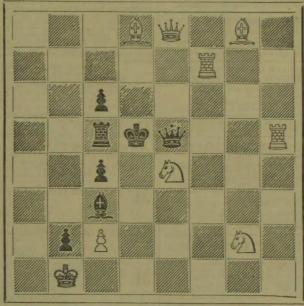
ROBLEM No. 1845.—Correct solutions received from Miss Jane D. W.F. Payne, J. Sowden E.H.V., E.H.H.V., W.H. Carlyon, J. S. T., F. Mills, J. G.C., H. Schletsner, Borsco, Latta Baz, Pagoda, R. W.S., Barscobe, W.P., East Marden, E.P. O'Brien.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 1645.

3. Q mates accordingly

PROBLEM No. 1647. By Mr. G. J. SLATER.

BLACK.



White to play, and mate in two moves.

CHESS AT GLASGOW.

In the following Game, which was played at the recent meeting of the Counties Chess Association, Messrs. Bird and Macdonnell consulted against Messrs. Blackburne and G. B. Fraser.

WHITE (Messrs, B. and M.) (Messrs, B. and F.)

1. P to K 4th P to K 4th

2. P to K 8 4th P takes P

3. Kt to K B 3rd P to K Kt 4th

4. B to B 4th B to Kt 2nd

5. Castles P to Q 3rd

3. Q to R 6th P to Q Kt 2rd

30. Q to R 6th P to Q Kt 2rd

31. Q to K B sq. P to Q Kt 2rd

32. Q to R 6th P to Q Kt 2rd

33. Q to R 6th P to Q Kt 2rd

34. Q to K B sq. P to Q Kt 2rd

35. Q to R 6th P to Q Kt 2rd

36. Q to R 6th P to Q Kt 2rd

37. Q to R 6th P to Q Kt 2rd

38. Q to R 6th P to Q Kt 2rd P to Q 3rd P to K R 3rd

We prefer the P to Q 4th. Q to K 2nd Kt to Q 2nd Kt to Kt 3rd B to Q 2nd P to Q 4th Kt to R 3rd B to Q 3rd Q to B 2nd P to Q Kt 3rd

B to K Kt 5th P to Q 4th

Q to B 3rd Q to Q B 3rd Q to Q B 3rd Q to K sq K to Kt sq B to K 3rd Kt to K 2nd Kt to B 4th

21. B takes B 22. Kt from Q 2nd

27. Q to Q 2rd 28. R to Kt 2nd 29. K R to Kt sq 30. Q to Q sq KR to Ksq P to QB 3rd R to K2nd

m:o R 6th
P to Q Kt 2rd
o R B sq
P to Q Kt 4th (best)
to Q K 4th, followed by
to Q K 4th, de.
of retiring the Queen at the
irst move, Mr. Bird suggests that
might have possibly given up the
and still obtained a drawn game,
mits the following curious varia-

R to Q B 7th
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R takes R (ch)
R to K 7th
R to K 8th
R to K 8th QR to K sq R to B 2nd K to Kt sq

Q to R 4th P to B 4th Q R to Kt 6th B takes P The only reply.

34. P takes B Premature. They ought first to have taken Pawn with Pawn.

Q takes P

34. 35. Q R to Kt 3rd

Q to Q 5th (ch) Q to B 7th R to K 7th P to K Kt 5th Q to R 5th 36. K to R sq 37. Q to Kt 4th 38. R to K Kt sq 39. R to Q Kt 2nd

At this point the game was adjourned; but Black have obviously a winning position. The terminating moves are very cleverly played by Messis, blackburne and Fraser.

CHESS IN THE PROVINCES.

The following quaint little Skirmish occurred recently at the Norwich Chess Club, between Mr. Howard Taylor and an Amateur.

Dennillo.

WHISE (Mr. H. T.) BLACK (Mr. 
5. B to Q 3rd Kt to K 2nd

6. Kt to Q B 3rd Castles

7. B takes B P (ch) K takes B

8. Kt to Kt 5th (ch) K to Kt sq, BLACK (Mr. —)
P to K 3rd
P to Q B 3rd
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B to Q B 2nd
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#### WILLS AND BEQUESTS.

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The will, with three codicils, dated April 21, 1866, June 24, 1871, and Nov. 14, 1873, of Mrs. Mary Price, late of Woodhatch, Reigate, the widow of Mr. William Price, of the same place, who died May 13 last, has been proved by John Hiffe, Charles Armstrong, William Wooldridge, and John Arthur Hiffe, the acting executors, the personal estate being sworn under £90,000. The testatrix bequeaths to the Sussex County Hospital, £500; to the Reigate Cottage Hospital and the Surrey Dispensary, £300'each; to the Ophthalmic Institution in London, the Truss Society, and the Female Orphan Asylum, £200 each; to the Church Missionary Society, the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, the British and Foreign Bible Society, the Medical Benevolent Society at Epsom, the Philanthropic Society for the Reformation of Boys at Redhill, Reigate, and the Asylum for Idiots at Earlswood, £100 each, all free of legacy duty. There are very numerous other legacies; and the residue of her property she leaves to her godson, Charles Armstrong. A: mstrong.

The will, dated March 21, 1871, of Miss Martha Ann Gunter, late of No. 41, Edgware-road, who died on July 17 last, was proved on the 12th ult. by Oliver Richards, the sole executor, the personal estate being sworn under £20,000. The testatrix gives her residence, with the furniture, between her servants, Ann Precee and Frances Precee, and legacies of £5000 each; and the residue of her estate to her solicitor and friend, Mr. Oliver Richards.

The will and six codicils of Mr. Charles James Kilpin, late of No. 33, Ossington-street, Bayswater, who died on July 29-last, was proved on the 14th ult. by John James and William Henry Iremonger, the executors, the personal estate being sworn under £12,000. The testator bequeaths to or in favour of such one or more of the ragged schools and institutions for the reformation of unfortunate females established in the metropolis, in such manner and proportion as his executors in their uncontrolled discretion may think fit, £200; for the benefit of the poor of the parish of Kingselere, Hants, £200; to the Hampshire Hospital, and the University College Hospital, Gower-street (in the latter institution he states that he once received considerable benefit), £100 each; to the Masonic Boys' School, the Masonic Girls' School, the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Fund, the Hospital of St. Louis at Boulogne, and for the benefit of the poor of the district of Christchurch, Camberwell, £50 each. There are other legacies, including £100 per annum to his sister-in-law, Mrs. Grieve; and the residue of his property, real and personal, he gives to h's great-nephew, the said William Henry Iremonger. The will and six codicils of Mr. Charles James Kilpin, late

and the residue of his property, real and personal, he gives to h's great-nephew, the said William Henry Iremonger.

The late Captain Edward John Ottley, of the Conservative and Junior United Service Clubs, who died a bachelor in June, 1872, and who had inherited "the Werner Ottley collection of pictures," left the whole of his property to accumulate until the youngest of his four nephews and nieces had attained twenty-one, an event which has recently happened. The register books of the Court of Probate show that the testator left the following special direction:—"I give and baqueath to my cousin, the Rev. Charles M'Mahon Ottley (Vicar of Newport Pagnell, in the county of Buckingham), to my friend John Hassard, of Great George-street, Westminster, and to the Rev. Thomas Helmore, of her Majesty's Chapel Royal, St. James's, all my plate and pictures, and also all my coins, articles of virth, musical instruments, books, engravings, china, glass, furniture, linen, &c., upon trust that they my said trustees and executors shall divide the same (in their absolute discretion) into seven parts of as nearly equal value as may be, and shall stand possessed of the same, as to three of such seventh parts, for my nephew Warner Ottley (a Lieutenant in the Queen's Bays); as to two other seventh parts for my niece Mary Louisa Ottley; and as to the remaining seventh part thereof, to my niece Charlotte Frances Ottley (now Mrs. Maurice Day); the right of priority of selection of the seventh parts constituting the share of each legatee to be determined by lot, under the direction of the said Charles M'Mahon Ottley, John Hassard, and Thomas Helmore, whose decision in any matter relating to the division or allotment of the said effects shall be conclusive upon all the parties interested therein." Upon the death of the testator, in 1872, the whole of this valuable collection was placed under the care of Messrs. Banting and Sons, of St. James's-street, who recently, by the direction of the pictures are, we are informed, likely to be of the testator's four nephews and nieces.—Post

The Copenhagen correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette, writing on the 1st inst., says:—"It appears from the will of the late Hans Christian Andersen that the total amount of his property does not amount to £4000 sterling. The bulk of his property is left to a M. Collin, a relation of his first beneated to whom Andersen which his tree and the sterling of the sterli property is left to a M. Collin, a relation of his first benefactor, to whom Andersen owed his success, and by whose side he now lies in the family vault. There are some legacies to the town of Odense, where the poet was born, and his proof edition of Charles Dickens's work, with a dedication from the author, are left to the Royal Library, as well as some other rare manuscripts. His trinkets and the many small souvenirs which he had received during his long life have been distributed among his many personal friends. An edition of all the letters which Andersen had received from Royal persons, authors, and other celebrated persons will shortly be published, according to the directions contained in his will."

The congress of the Associated Chambers of Commerce will be held in Leeds on the 21st and 22nd inst. The list for will be held in Leeds on the 21st and 22nd inst. The list for-discussion centains nearly thirty subjects. Amongst them are the registration of firms, the law of partnership, telegraphic charges between France and England, mail service between England and France, private bill legislation, public bills in Parliament, the patent laws, bills of sale, limited liability companies, halfpenny letter post, protection of sea passengers, public prosecutors, bankruptcy law amendment, assimilation of factory and workshops Acts, &c. Mr. Sampson Lloyd, of. Birmingham, the chairman of the association, will preside.

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